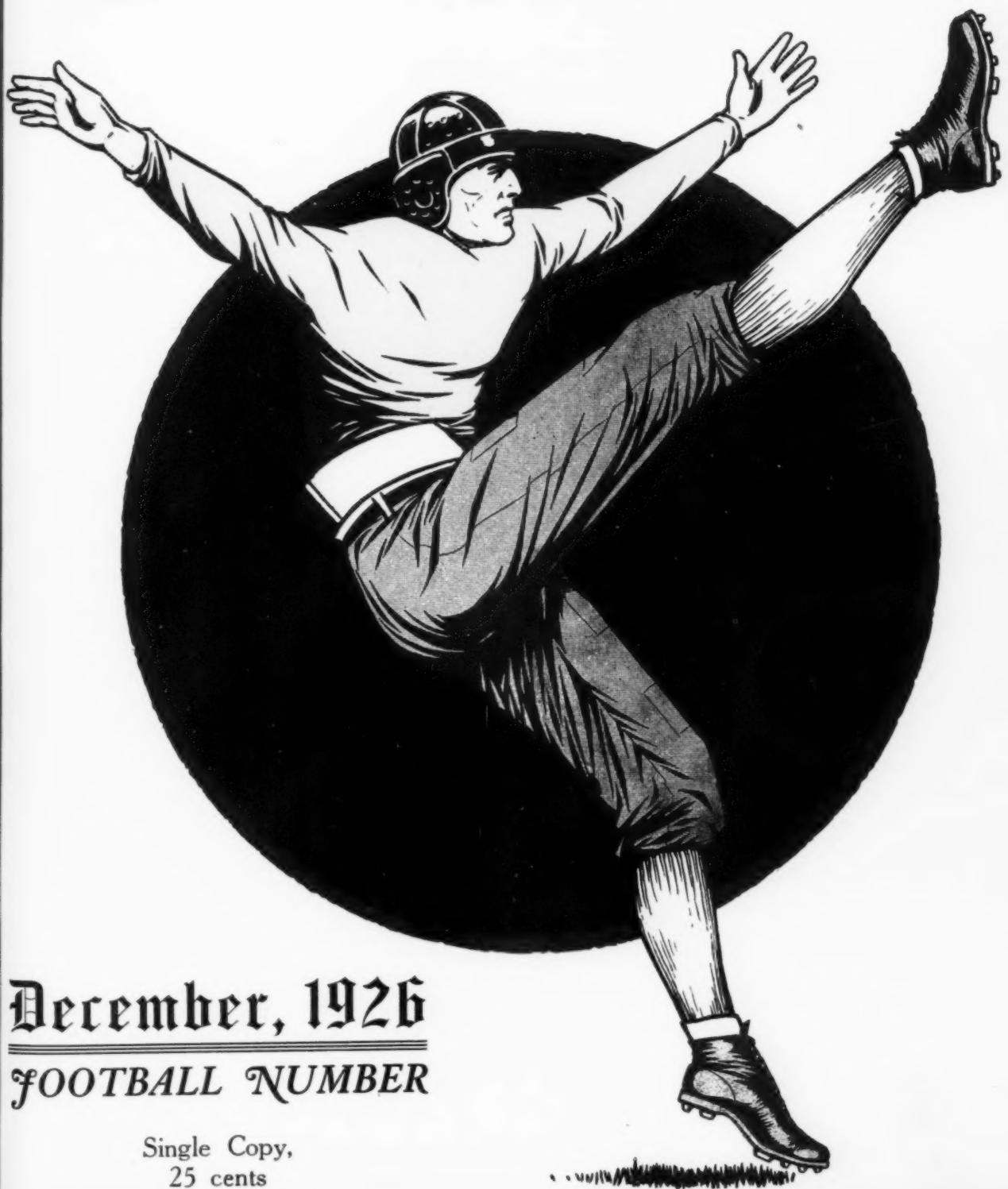


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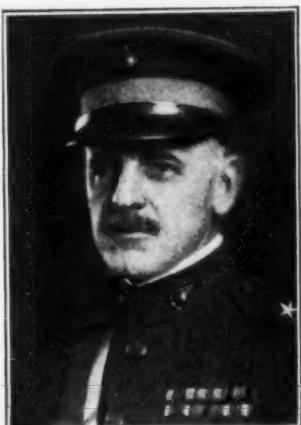
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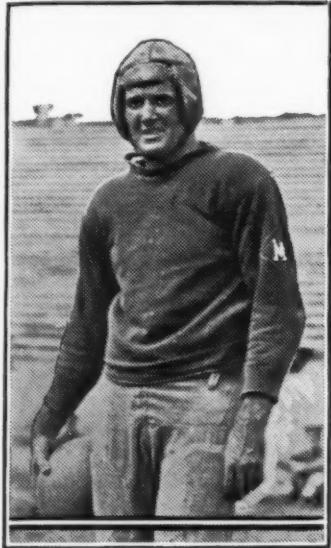
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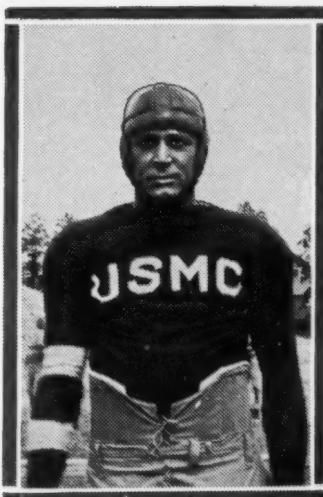
LIEUT. FRANK B. GOETTGE

Formerly of Ohio University and a veteran of four years with the Marine team, where he was one of the strongest players in the backfield. This year he is acting as assistant coach.



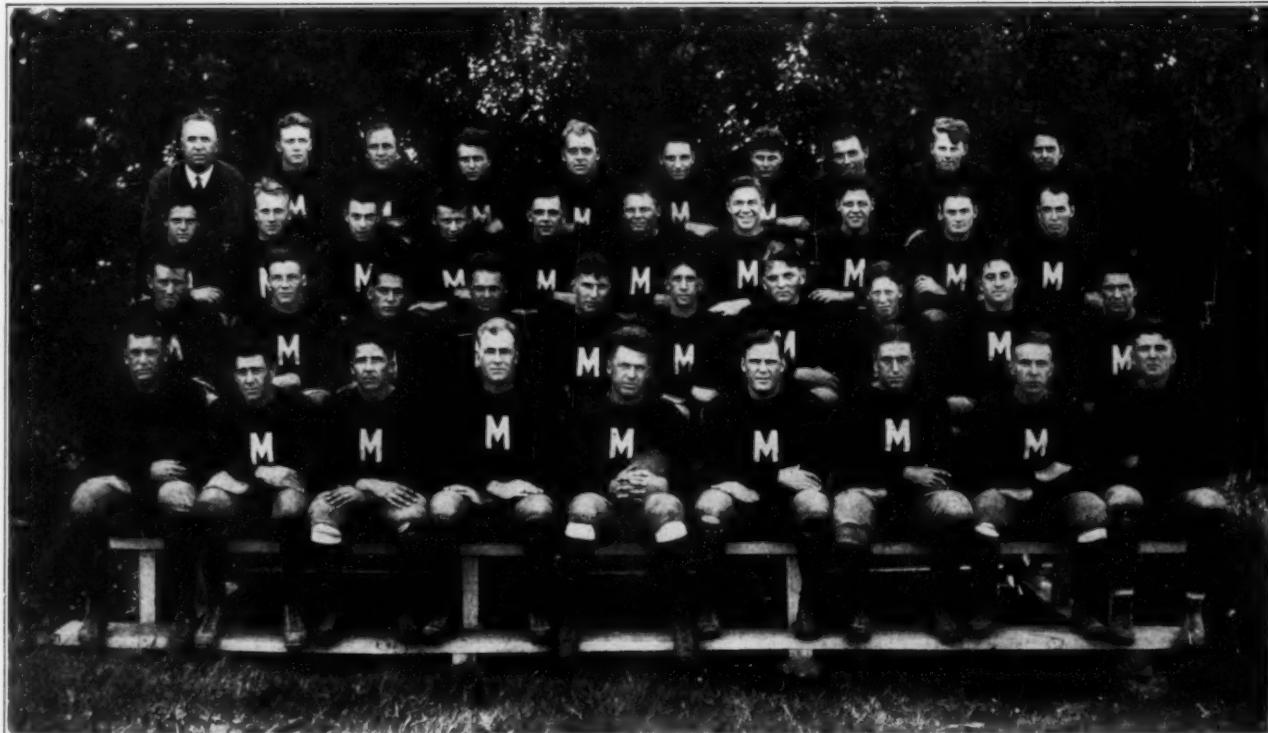
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7	Cole	Back	165
8	Mitzen	Back	160
9	Lindsey	Center	157
10	Carpenter	Guard	150
11	Dean	Back	
12	McGuire	Tackle	178
13	De Ford	Back	165
14	Costello	Tackle	180
15	Kjelstrom	Back	165
16	McKelvey	End	165
17	May	End	170
18	Joris	Back	160
19	Wargo	Guard	183
20	Newman	Center	180
21	Sullivan	Back	165
22	Steele	Quarterback	165
23	Stanovich	Guard	178
24	Berish	Center	186
25	Myleczak	Back-Center	185
26	Douglass	Tackle	186
27	Willingham	Tackle	200
28	Mack	Tackle	180
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30	Langford	Back	180
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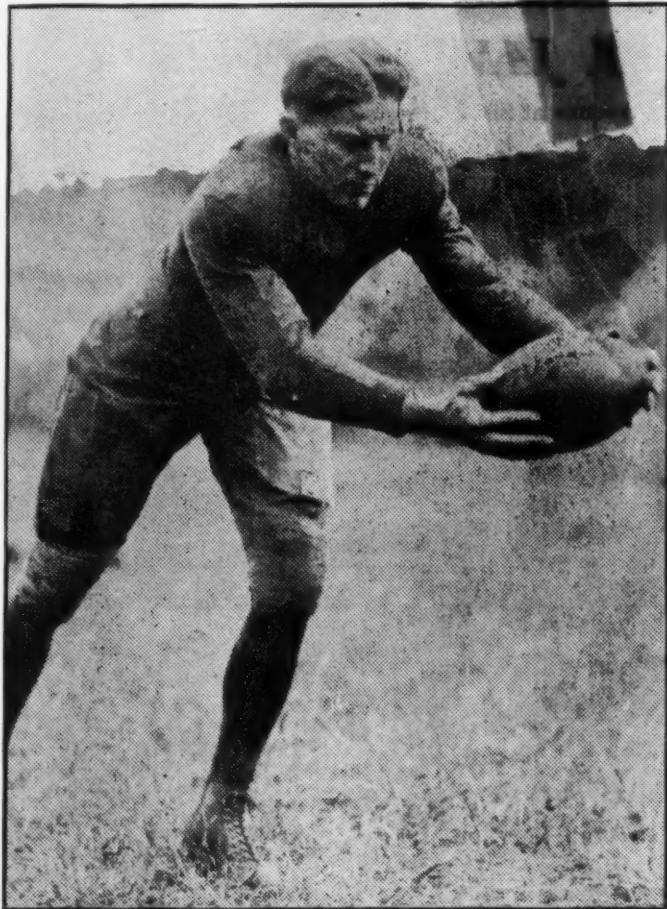
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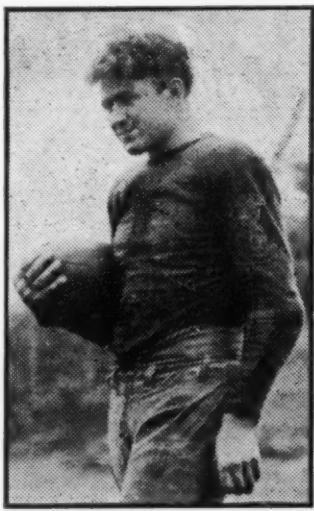
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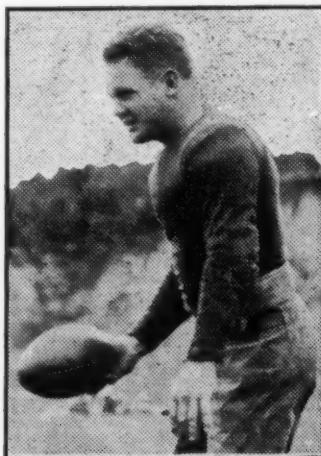
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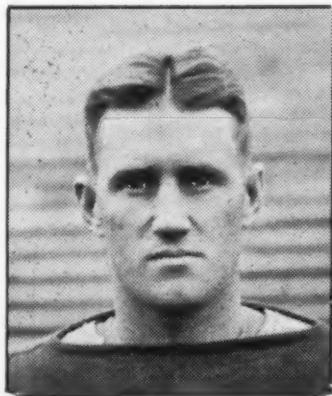
LIEUT. ARNOLD

A newcomer in Marine colors this year, from North Dakota Agricultural College, who has quartered this season's aggregation with exceptional ability.



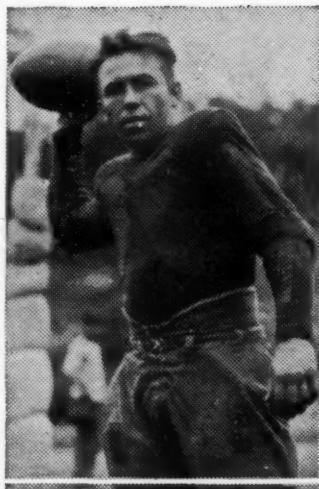
JOHN F. HOUGH

Guard, former University of Maryland player, and captain-elect of that team in 1925, who is playing his second season with the Marines



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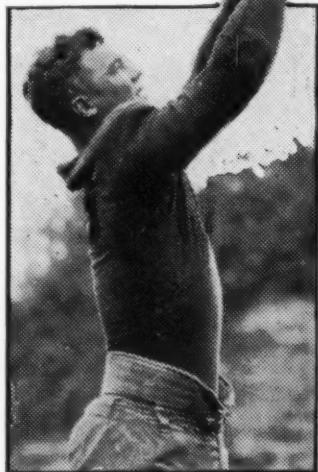
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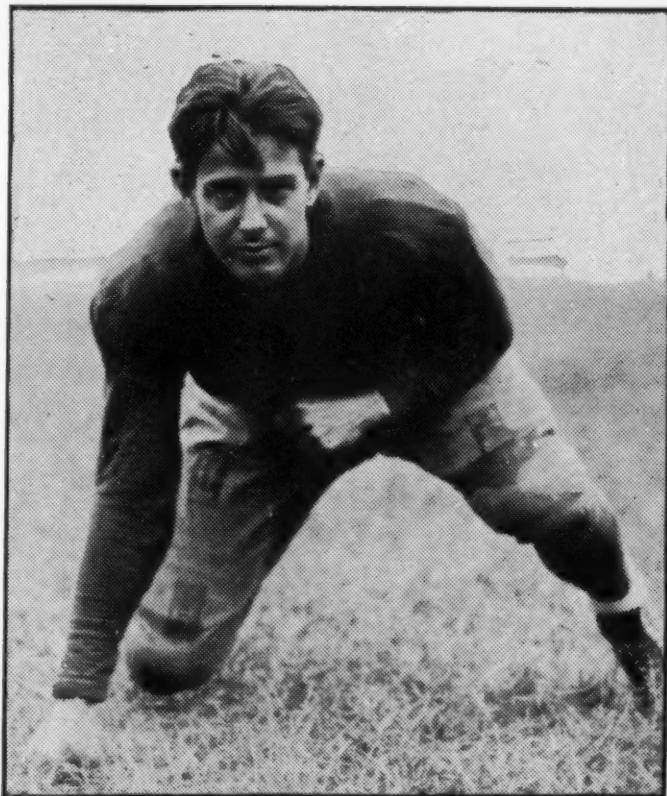
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JOHN K. WHITFIELD

An end who hails from Kansas, and who is making his first appearance in Marine Corps football togs this season. John will hold down the right flank against the Doughboys.



TED R. McCLAIN

Formerly of Fort Smith, Ark., tackle with Marine Corps football team. He is a boxer and all-around athlete. Weight, 168.



HENRY P. CROWE

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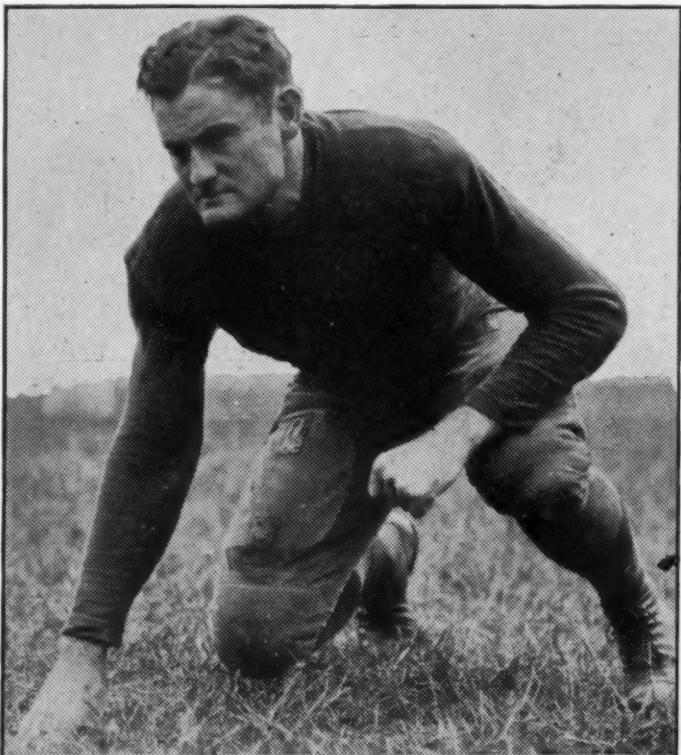
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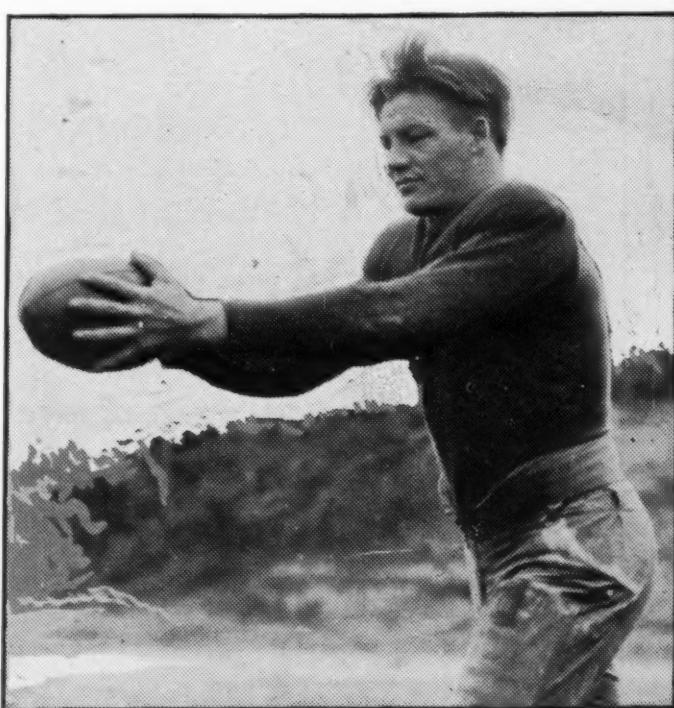
HENRY ZUBER

Former center for Annapolis eleven, now playing guard with the Marine Corps football team for the second season.



LIEUT. JOSEPH C. BURGER

Who plays tackle with the Marine Corps team. He formerly played with the University of Maryland, and joined the Marine Corps team last season.



DARWIN A. SHUMWAY

Fullback, who played that position with the Marine Corps football team last year. Shumway is booked for the fullback berth against Army.

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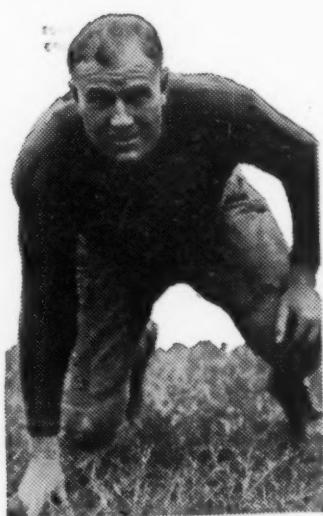
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A new addition to Marine grid circles this year, who has been alternating at end and center.



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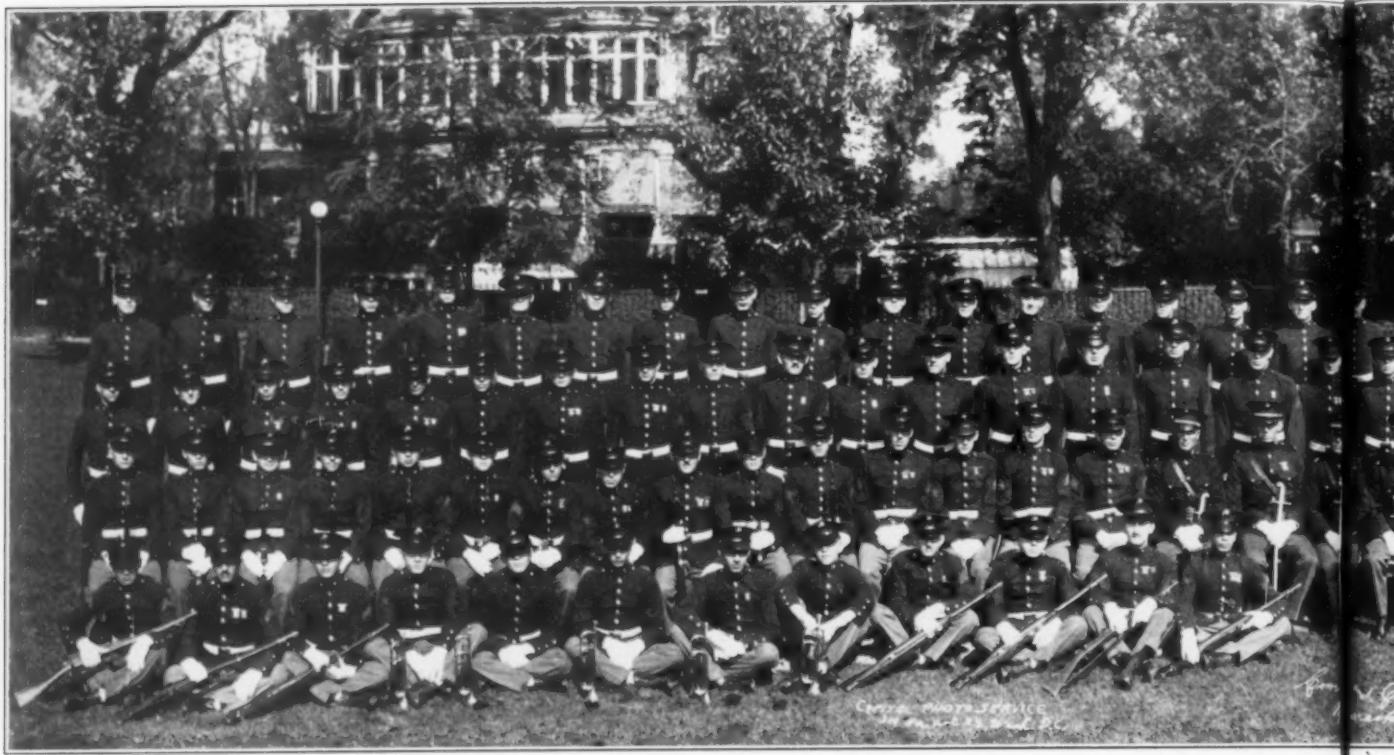
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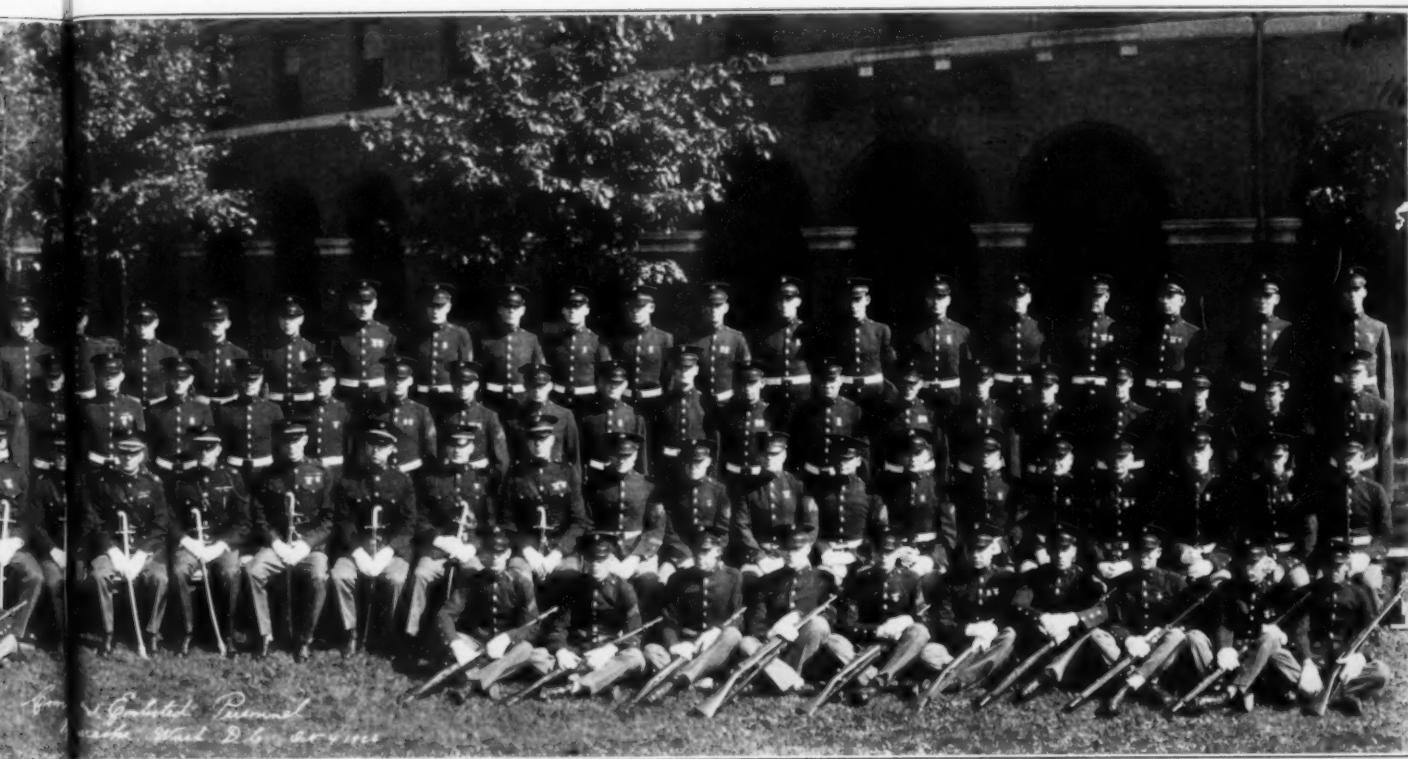
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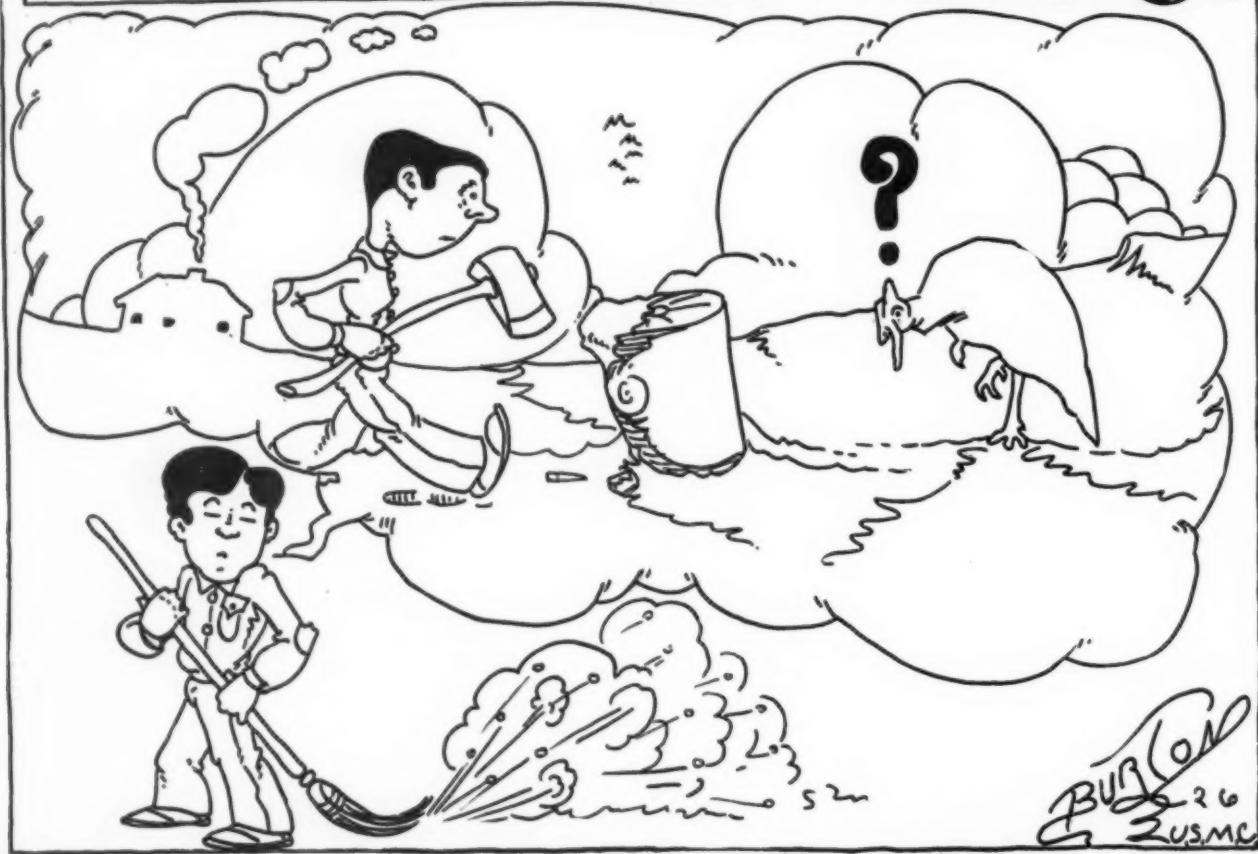


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ENIANS HAVE WRITTEN A MOST SUCCESSFUL CHAPTER IN THE ANNALS OF WEST COAST FOOTBALL HISTORY

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MARINES TRIM CANISIUS AT BUFFALO, 6-0

Levey Runs 55 Yards to Score Only Touchdown of Game

The Marine Corps eleven wiped their slate clean of the defeat registered against them last year when they beat Canisius College in Buffalo on November 3 to the tune of 6-0. It was the team's second game in three days and Coach Keady did not exert his men due to another game four days later, which would probably tax their strength.

Jimmy Levey's sensational 55-yard sprint for a touchdown in the first period enabled the Marines to defeat Canisius College, 6 to 0, here this afternoon. With the ball in the Leathernecks' possession on their 45-yard line, Levey swept wide around his own left end to the sideline, reversed his field, hesitated for his interference to form again in front of him and then dashed unmolested over the goal line. Ryckman missed the extra point.

Although the Marines outplayed their opponents throughout, smashing through for 11 first downs to the locals' three, they were unable to score thereafter.

Five times the Canisius line held for downs when in the shadows of their own goal posts and with one exception, Guarneri punted well out of danger. Once, however, the Leathernecks' broke through and blocked his punt on Canisius' 5-yard mark. Levey then circled right end and was clear of the field, but he slipped and fell when in position to go over. The locals then steadied and held for downs.

Canisius' only chance for a score came in the first few minutes of play, when they took the ball from the kickoff and using their famous downs, taking the ball to the visitors' 20-yard line. Here Guarneri's incompletely forward rolled over the goal line. The Leathernecks' then started a drive up the field which culminated in Levey's sensational dash for a touchdown.

Levey and Pugh were the outstanding stars, both getting away for several long gains.

Marines.	Positions.	Canisius.
Phillips	L. E.	Guthrie
Burger	L. T.	Burke
Hough	L. G.	Shea
Ballew	Center	Thomas
Zuber	R. G.	Stammelly
Hunt	R. T.	Poscavage
Whitfield	R. E.	Brennan
Arnold	Q. B.	Guarnieri
Ryckman	L. H.	Collins
Levey	R. H.	Fisher
Bukowy	F. B.	McNally
Marines	6 0 0	0-6
Canisius	0 0 0	0-0

Touchdown—Levey. Substitutions: Marines—Ryan for Levey, Pugh for Ryckman, Brunelle for Arnold, Stock for Phillips, Levey for Ryan, Crowe for Hough, Clements for Whitfield, McClain for Burger, Wigmore for McClain, Canisius—Kublak for Brennan, Drumsta for Shea, Moss for Poscavage, Molynarczak for Burke, Olzowska for Stammelly, Brennan for Kublak, Sliker for Collins. Referee—Watkeys. Umpire—Carson. Head linesman—Murphy.

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MARINES WIN PROVIDENCE BATTLE

Collegians Lose First Game of Season to Devil Dogs, 34-0

Providence, R. I., Oct. 30.—The Quantico Marines ran roughshod over the Providence College eleven here this afternoon, turning back the Black and White team by a 34 to 0 score and sending Coach Golemski's charges down to their first defeat of the season.

The Sea Soldiers outclassed the collegians in every department of the game and even the one-sided score does not indicate the superiority of the invaders.

Providence made one first down by rushing during the entire four periods and advanced twice over the 10-yard area via the forward pass route.

The Marines registered eighteen first downs in the first half of the game when they scored 28 points. They went scoreless in the third period but added another touchdown in the final quarter.

Levey at left half for the Marines scored two of his team's touchdowns on wild dashes around the left end of the Providence line, carrying the ball 26 yards on the first run and 20 on the second. The line-up:

Quantico.	Positions.	Providence C.
Whitfield	L. E.	White
Wigmore	L. T.	Donald
Crowe	L. G.	Adair
Spaulding	Center	Waterson
Williams	R. G.	J. Russo
Brougher	R. T.	Nawrecki
Stock	R. E.	J. Smith
Arnold	Q. B.	Dalton
Pugh	L. H.	Szydla
Buckoway	F. B.	Lewis
Levey	R. H.	Dubenny

Touchdowns—Levey (2), Clements, Dunnigan, Pugh. Goals after touchdowns—Stock (3), Brunell. Referee—Halloran. Umpire—Noble. Head linesman—Murray. Field judge—Boston.

MARINE CORPS TEAM HAS SCORED 137 POINTS TO ITS OPPONENTS 41

The Marine Corps Football Team for 1926, formerly known as the All-Marines, has proceeded to carry on in the footsteps of its predecessors and with but one exception has trampled over all opposition through the first seven games of its heavy 13-game schedule.

The summary up to and including the Canisius game follows:

0—Univ. of New Hamp.	Marines—25
7—King College	Marines—27
27—St. Xavier College	Marines—11
0—Lehigh	Marines—14
7—Catholic University	Marines—20
0—Providence	Marines—34
0—Canisius	Marines—6
	137
41	

HOW HE LOVED 'EM

"When I was a little boy," sweetly piped the hard-boiled sergeant, "I had a set of wooden soldiers. One day I lost those soldiers and I cried very much. But my mother said: 'Never mind, Johnny, some day you will get your wooden soldiers back.' And believe me, you bunch of wooden headed dumbbells, that day has come!"

MARINES WIN EASILY FROM CATHOLIC U.

McQuade, Pugh and Levey Star As Quantico Plows Way to Three Touchdowns

Plowing through and around the Catholic University forward wall and occasionally — only occasionally — varying their plunging tactics with overhead play, the Marines oozed their way to a 20 to 7 victory over Catholic University on October 23.

Catholic University made the battle keen in the first period by matching a Marine touchdown following a 24-yard march with a 30-yard forward pass that was good for a flock of points, but thereafter the men from Quantico generally had the situation in hand. In the second period, the Marines sloshed through 36 yards to a second touchdown and in the final session they scored again after plugging through the field for 75 yards.

There was a little of the spectacular about the game other than the one long forward pass that netted Catholic University its touchdown and the two determined stands made by the home eleven within its 5-yard line. The Marines gained about four times as much ground as did Catholic U. by running attack, but in the air the Brooklanders bettered the Devil Dogs about four to one. Forward passing was so rare, however, that the Brooklanders' superiority in this respect netted them little.

Much Work For Backs

It was mainly a game between the opposing backfields. The Marine line was powerful enough at most times to check the Catholic University attack, but it was not fast enough or clever enough to make the going easier for the ball runners back of it. So the Marine backs were left to shift for themselves on most occasions, and they did pretty well, too.

Prominent in the offensive were Jack McQuade, Ed Pugh, and Jim Levey, a lanky but light back transferred from the Parris Island to Quantico with only a year of real football experience behind him.

During the early part of the fray McQuade was the Marines' most consistent ground gainer, but in his brushes outside tackle and around end he was given able assistance by Levey. This young fellow gave a very smart exhibition of interference, and also in doing the punting for the Marines showed a nifty foot.

The game was played hard, but it was clean. But three penalties were inflicted during the engagement. Two were against the Brooklanders, one for failure to complete two passes during a series of downs and another came when a substitute rushed onto the field while play was in progress. The Marines had 5 yards called against them for an offside play.

The Marines lost little time in showing their strength after the opening kickoff. Following an exchange of punts, the Quantico men launched an attack from Catholic University's 32-yard line. It was not ended until Pugh fumbled

within inches of goal. But Carney's kick was short and the Marines started once more from the 24-yard mark. A couple of plunges by McQuade and a short forward pass put the oval on the 3-yard line, then McQuade circled left end to a touchdown. Levey booted the extra point.

C. U. Scores With Pass

Shortly after play was resumed Connors, punting for Catholic University, rolled a kick to the Marine 3-yard line. Levey's return punt went outside at the 30-yard line. A Brookland plunge failed, but Foley fell back and heaved the ball to Harvey, who ran 10 yards to goal. Foley made good with a drop kick to boost the score.

Early in the second period the Marines began assaulting the Catholic University forward wall from their 23-yard mark. With McQuade running frequently behind Levey's fine interference, play advanced to the Brookland 4-yard line, where the defenders braced wonderfully and took the ball on downs. But Foley, punting from behind his goal, sent the oval only to his 36-yard line and this time the Marines were not to be denied. In the first play thereafter McQuade was injured, but Buckoway, who replaced Jack, helped get the ball to the 2-yard line, from where he went across. This time Levey missed with his placement kick.

Marines Plunge 75 Yards

From then until the end of the third period, neither team made much headway and the opening of the fourth period found the Marines attacking at midfield. An exchange of punts sent the Quantico team back to its 25-yard line, from where it launched its final offensive, with Pugh carrying the ball, frequently play moved to the enemy 5-yard line. Buckoway picked up 2 yards and Pugh went the remaining distance to goal. Levey garnered the extra point.

When the game ended, the Marines appeared to be on the way to another score, for Shumway had intercepted a C. U. pass and traveled 20 yards to the enemy's 20-yard mark.

Line-up and Summary

	Positions.	Cath. U.
Marines	L. E.	Connors
Whitfield	L. T.	Guyer
Wigmore	L. G.	Lafond
Crowe	Center	O'Donnell
Bailey	R. G.	Tierney
Hough	R. T.	McGovern
Hunt	R. E.	Shields
Phillips	R. B.	Foley
Arnold	Q. B.	Carney
Levey	L. H.	Heiner
Pugh	M. H.	Schmidt
McQuade	F. B.	

Score by periods:

Marines	7	6	0	7-20
Catholic University	7	0	0	0-7

Touchdowns—McQuade, Buckoway, Pugh, Harvey. Points after touchdowns—Levey, 2; (placement kicks); Foley (drop-kick). Point after touchdown, missed—Levey.

Substitutions: Marines—Duncan for Pugh, Buckoway for McQuade, Brougher for Hunt, Berger for Whitmore, Thompson for Phillips, Shumway for Duncan, Spaulding for Bailey, Ryan for Levey, Catholic University—McGann for Guyer, Harvey for Carney, Pescia for Schmidt, Manfreda for Heiner, Linskey for O'Donnell, Donnelly for Lafond, Malovich for Pescia, Maynihan for Tierney, Long for Shields, Sullivan for Connors, Chapman for Manfreda, Howell for Sullivan, Smythe for Chapman.

Referee—Mr. Harmon (Bethany). Umpire—Mr. Towers (Columbia). Linesman—Mr. Gaffney (Boston College). Time of periods—15 minutes.

SHORTS on SPORTS

By ED. HAGENAH, Sports Editor

November 20 will be one of the biggest days on the present autumn calendar for the Marine Corps. It will consist of a season of high sports combined into one feature—one football classic.

Marines vs. Army for the President's Cup!

From what can be learned of our foe, the Doughboys are going to trot a strong fighting eleven on the field November 20. Their line is said to be heavy with fast ends trimming off a formidable front. Army has numerous men on this year's squad who opposed the Marines last season. However, the chances of a few dark horses appearing upon the horizon are not eliminated.

The two officer-players who alternated for the Marines in 1925 were Frank Geottge and Jack McQuade. George Smythe, former West Pointer and All-American, starred for the Doughboys until he was carried from the field exhausted and plugged out in the last quarter. His playing was spectacular at all times and he will be sorely missed this year.

Geottge, the greatest backfield man the Marine Corps has ever had, quartered for the Leathernecks the first half and again during the third, and garnered the lion's share of victory by scoring a touchdown in the first when he skirted left end and ploughed off with the ball, and later in the third quarter by faking his field and whirling a pass into the waiting arms of Top Crowe for another six points.

Jack McQuade, who relieved Geottge under the "one-officer rule," carried on where his predecessor left off when he skirted the Army end for a 30-yard run and toted the pigskin over for the third and final score.

However, history has been written and tomorrow is another day.

November 20 is THE DAY.

Again will the forces of the U. S. Army and Marine Corps clash for the grid honors of services and the President's Cup.

"Whiz-Bang" Levey, the Parris Island Wonder, has been ripping off the yards this season and his running has accounted for a great deal of the scoring the Marines have piled up against their opponents.

Levey is credited with being one of the fastest men to ever carry Marine colors. His type is different from the other stars who have smashed their way to gains and later scores. Primarily, a runner, Levey is built for speed and when the leather is in his hands he is off like the shot from a gun. Unlike Geottge, McQuade, Pugh, Ryckman and others who are noted for their smashing style of football and have taken their gains through hitting the line, Levey picks his way like a flash through the

openings, avoids the opposition as a deer would heavy going to later gain the open and safety.

In 1924 President Coolidge offered a cup known as the President's Cup, which is to be competed for annually by the enlisted football teams of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps. The winning eleven was to be awarded the trophy, and also to be known as the Service Champions of that year.

The rules governing the President's Cup game are: The teams shall consist of only one officer playing on each team and the final game for the cup shall be played in Washington, D. C., each year.

The first toss-up in 1924 brought the Marine Corps and Navy together for an elimination game in New York with the victor to play the Army in Washington for the Cup. Unfortunately, the Marine Corps' first string eleven was playing a previously scheduled game and therefore a team was picked of second string men and subs and sent to represent the Corps against the Gobs. Navy won that day and later in the season came to Washington to meet the Army. The Doughboys won the game and also first possession of the coveted trophy.

That was in 1924.

In 1925 the Marines sent a team to Norfolk to meet the Navy, and by trimming the sailors 44-0, won the right to clash with the Army at Griffiths' Stadium in Washington in November last year, and before Mrs. Coolidge and some 8,000 spectators the Leathernecks beat the Doughboys 20-0 and gained possession of the Cup.

This year the Navy did not enter an eleven to compete for the trophy and therefore the Army will again clash with the Marines. The game this season will be of top class. Both sides are priming for the fray. The Doughboys are out to regain their lost honors while the Marines intend fighting harder than ever to hold the cup as their own.

The ruling prohibiting more than one officer playing on an eleven at a time brings the game down to an even basis and eliminates the chances of a galaxy of trained stars appearing on either side.

Whiz Bang is undoubtedly one of the best acquisitions to the Marine Corps eleven this year and should cause the Army a great deal of worry on the twentieth.

Two games have been dropped by the Marine Corps team this season.

The first was to St. Xavier College, of Cincinnati, the last to John Carroll, of Cleveland. The scores turned in against the Marines were not heavy but at the same time meant "NO-HIT."

If every time you fire and hit the bull, the fellow in the butts marks it a duece, how are you goin' to make marksman?

Figure it out!

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SAN DIEGO SWAMPS U. S. S. MELVILLE

Three Touchdowns Scored in Final Period in Downing Coast Champs

By MONROE McCONNELL

The San Diego Union

A crimson-shirted football tidal wave from the Marine base, gathering speed and power as it advanced, followed in the wake of a blonde-thatched tornado in the person of Woods, flashy backfield star, engulfed the U. S. S. Melville championship barque and swept on to a 24 to 7 victory over the district title holders in a crucial Service League game, played at Navy Field before a crowd of 10,000 gridiron enthusiasts on October 17.

Spurred on by a gridiron grudge of two years' standing, the Marines stubbornly fought their way forward inch by inch, gradually wearing down the Melville resistance, and made a field day of it in the final quarter, putting over three touchdowns in a period of seven minutes.

The Marines victory practically ends the Melville's domination of Service League football, the reign of the destroyer repair ship having been extended through two seasons, and unless a dark horse is developed among the other district contenders, the title bunting will be raised at the Marine Base at the end of the season.

Four thousand Marines, headed by General Smedley Butler and the Devil Dog band, rushed on the field at the end of the final period and engaged in one of the wildest serpentines in the history of Navy Field. Woods and his fellow team mates were hoisted onto the shoulders of their admirers and borne from the field in triumph.

The Marines scored their first touchdown in the fourth quarter on a foray into Melville territory personally conducted by chief ball packer Woods, who cavorted to a second touchdown a few minutes later, clinching the victory for the Devil Dogs.

With the Melville scalp all but stowed away, Woods was replaced by Walker, Marine sprint star, who carved his name on the hide of the navy team when he skirted right end and raced 37 yards to within two yards of the goal before being downed out of bounds. On the next play he plowed through tackle for the touchdown, the final tally of the game.

The Marines drew first blood in the second quarter when Lieut. McHenry booted a 30-yard field goal from placement. Woods placed the oval in scoring position when he returned Barrett's punt to the 30-yard mark. Three thrusts at the line netted six yards, and McHenry dropped back the gained distance and booted the pigskin over the bar for a three point lead.

Scored on Fumble

But the Marine advantage was short lived, due to the excellent ball hawking of King, Melville end. After the

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kick off and an exchange of punts, the Marines took possession of the ball in mid-field. The pass back from center on the first play was bad, and was untouched by the Devil Dog backs. King rushed in and scooped up the ball, and under cover of perfect interference, galloped 45 yards to the Marine goal line. Barrett added the extra point with a well placed drop kick.

With the game seemingly well in hand, the Melville eleven put up a defensive front that the knife-like thrusts of Wood, Do Roo and Poppleman, Marine backfield aces, failed to dent, and the game resolved itself into a punting duel between Barrett of the Melville, and De Roo of the Marines, with the former having a slight edge. Barrett's boots were higher and longer, but the returns of his teammates were not as long as those of Woods.

Neither team was able to make yardage in the second period, and the half ended with the Melville squad on the long end of a 7 to 3 count.

The Sciot drill team, which won the championship last year, took the field at the end of the second quarter, and entertained the fans with a number of splendidly executed stunts. The Marine Base band marched down the field, courageously playing one number before the rival rooting section.

The Marines unleashed a furious attack in the third period, but were unable to get within scoring distance. Melville continued its brilliant defensive work and held the Devil Dogs well in check for the period, neither team making a first down.

With the start of the final quarter, the Devil Dog heavy artillery was brought into play, and the scoring commenced, Melville title hopes fading away before the advance of the red-shirted horde.

Woods Scores First

The Marines started off the period with the ball in their possession on Melville's 30-yard line. Poppleman carried the oval to the 12-yard mark on a short pass from Herstrum, and Woods ripped through tackle, advancing to the one-yard line before being downed. He was stopped at the line of scrimmage on the next play, and scored on a smash off left guard, adding the extra point on a kick from placement.

The second touchdown followed on the heels of the first, the Marines gaining possession of the ball in midfield on an exchange of punts. Zimmerman made three yards around end, and Poppleman made it first down. Woods got away around left end for 15 yards, and Poppleman made eight through the center of the line, being downed on the nine-yard line. Woods wormed his way through tackle and crashed over the goal line, again converting the goal on a kick from placement.

With the victory certain, the Marine heavy artillery was withdrawn, and howitzers of lighter calibre brought into play, Walker substituting for Woods, Zimmerman taking Herstrum's place, and Matthews filling in for De Roo.

But the Devil Dogs had scented blood, and were not to be denied. Melville opened up with passes, completing two before the Marines intercepted in mid-field. Walker got away around end, racing 40 yards before being knocked out of bounds one yard from the goal, and scored on the next play, going over on

Thirty-five

an offtackle drive. Zimmerman dropped for the extra point.

Melville again brought its aerial offensive into play, but another interception in mid-field gave the Marines possession of the ball, the final quarter ending before the Devil Dogs could get off a play.

Summary:

Marines.	Positions.	Melville.
Lees	R. E.	Underwood
Elich	R. T.	Squires
McDonald	R. G.	Hamilton
Getz	Center.	Jordan
Spannuth	L. G.	Alyard
McHenry	L. T.	Bryant
Martin	L. E.	King
Zimmerman	Q. B.	Walker
De Roo	L. H.	Barrett
Woods	R. H.	McWilliams
Poppleman	F. B.	Peterson

Score by quarters:

Melville	0	7	0	0	7
Marines	0	3	0	21	24

Melville scoring: Touchdown—King. Extra point—Barrett.

Marine scoring: Touchdowns—Woods 2, Walker 1. Field goal—McHenry. Extra points—Woods 2, Zimmerman 1.

Substitutions: Melville—Ring for Barrett, Blackwell for Bryant, Weise for Underwood, Barrett for Ring, Magera for McWilliams, Ring for Barrett. Marines—Shaw for Martin, Herstrum for Zimmerman; Zimmerman for Herstrum, Murphy for Elich, Matthews for De Roo, Morrison for Murphy, Walker for Woods, Curtis for McDonald, Moor for Morrison, Coker for Shaw, Svertlich for Lees, Hanson for Svertlich.

HALL'S SAN DIEGO ELEVEN FACE TEST AGAINST 9TH ARMY CORPS

Head Coach Hall's San Diego eleven this year have been dusting off everyone as they come down the line. The biggest triumph to date was the beating administered the U. S. S. Melville, for the past two years champions of the coast in service class.

On November 27 San Diego clashes with the 9th Army Corps at San Diego and many rumors are in vogue to the effect that the Marines will strike a snag in this year's doughboy aggregation. Early in October the Army met and defeated the Olympic Club, 12-0, and later came back and beat St. Ignatius College, 27-0. The Saints were supposed to have had a good team, but were no match for the soldiers, who shattered their line at will.

Much comment is being made on the coming game and interest is running high in Diego circles. The game is touted as the service classic of the coast this year.

MARINES BRING HOME THE BACON ON WEST VIRGINIA

The first broadside "E" gun on the West Virginia since the ship went in commission was made by the Marine crew on gun No. 9 at this season's Short Range Battle Practice, the result of months of drill until perfection in fire control, loading, training and pointing had been attained. Made eight hits in forty-two seconds, qualified four first-class pointers and put \$15 prize money in the pocket of every man on the crew.

The Marine crew on gun No. 7 took third prize, missing the "E" by one shot. A total of 28 hits out of a possible 32 gave the Marine crews the highest percentage of hits of any battery on the ship for this season's S. R. B. The crews were made up almost entirely of men who had never fired a gun before.

Parris Island Has Successful Season

By Jeff Daniels

MARINES OVERWHELM FORT

McPHERSON TEAM BY 88-0

Parris Island, S. C., Oct. 16.—"Swede" Larson's big parade completely swamped the 22nd Infantry of Fort McPherson here this afternoon with the overwhelming score of 88 to 0. Although greatly outweighed by the doughboys, the Marines romped through, around, and over the former at will, making touchdowns so rapidly that they made comparatively few first downs.

Both teams played their first full period game, and although dog tired from consistent ramming by the Leathernecks, the soldiers fought to the last. The Marine goal was not threatened at any time, the soldiers being on the defensive throughout. Their ramifications gave way before the Marine charge time and again, the latter not failing once to make their objective.

During the third quarter, and playing against the Marine's third team, the soldiers started a march to their opponents' goal, completing four forward passes for a total of 45 yards, but excepting that display of aggressiveness, they gained but little ground. The Marine line, all three of them, held as a stone wall and at no time did the soldiers make a substantial gain through it.

Marine backs ran amuck, piling up 13 touchdowns and shaking off would-be tacklers with ease. More than three teams of Marines played in the game, displaying such ability as to make spectators wonder which was which. A combination of the second and third strings played more than half the game. Coach Cunningham, formerly of the University of Georgia, used virtually every player he had, but all failed in their attempt to get away. The result totalled 206 points for the Marines as against none for the opponents.

The line-up:

Marines.	Positions.	Soldiers.
Johnson	L. E.	Mallard
Freeman	L. T.	Ballantine
Davis	L. G.	Hays
Bunce	Center	Cleveland
Edmundson	R. G.	Aver
Cobb	R. T.	Seglar
Peters	R. E.	Simpson
Jordon	Q. B.	Hoover
Getke	L. H.	Saffrance
Wetja	R. H.	Walker
Miller	F. B.	Kirkland
Marines	16	18
Soldiers	0	0
	26	28-88
	0	0

Touchdowns—Pierce 4, Wetja 2, Griffin 2, Getke, Miller, Jones, Humphries, Larson. Referee—Brantley Harvey, U. of S. C. Umpire—Earl Chadwick, Beaufort. Head linesman—Buck Stroupe, Parris Island.

GAIN VICTORY OVER

NEWBERRY COLLEGE, 26-7

Parris Island, S. C., Oct. 23.—Playing straight football during most of the game, the Marine's big parade marched through Newberry College at Lee Field this afternoon for a 26 to 7 victory. Newberry, as predicted, gave the Leatherneck their toughest game so far this season, fighting the service men every minute,

and forcing them to recall their first string in the last quarter.

The Marine's made their first score soon after the first whistle, and continued to march to their opponent's goal until they had accounted for three touchdowns. In the middle of the second quarter a combination of second and third string men went in, taking from the game the one-sided effect, and making a creditable showing. The third quarter went scoreless, but Wheeler's passing started the college men towards the Marine goal in the latter part of it, and soon after the opening of the fourth, he scored, crossing the Marine goal line for the first time this season.

At this point, Larson sent his big racket into the game, and they recovered with a vengeance. Mike Wetja tore, plunged and rammed his way through the Newberry line from one end of the line to the other, making another touchdown to total three in the game for the veteran. Wetja's powerful attack through the line was the feature of the game. The Newberry defense was helpless before his plunges.

The visitor's attack attempted vainly to dent the Marine line, causing them to revert to the aerial route, which eventually gave them their touchdown. The Marines made 19 first downs and Newberry six.

Marines.	Positions.	Newberry.
Johnson	L. E.	Rushe
Freeman	L. T.	Spearman
Davis	L. G.	Miller
McCracken	Center	Grout
Edmundson	R. G.	Frick
Cobb	R. T.	Boozier
Peters	R. E.	Appleman
Jordon	Q. R.	Adams
Getke	L. H.	Coleman
Wetja	R. H.	Eleazer
Miller	F. B.	Tallor
Marines	13	7
Newberry	0	0
	0	6-26
	0	7-7

Touchdowns—Wetja 3, Getke, Wheeler. Referee—Brantley Harvey, U. of S. C. Umpire—Earl Chadwick, Beaufort. Head linesman—Lieut. Hill.

BEAT PIEDMONT COLLEGE

BY SCORE OF 76 TO 0

Parris Island, S. C., Oct. 30.—Playing approximately 40 men at some period of the game, the Parris Island Marines set Piedmont College down here this afternoon with final score of 76 to 0. The Leathernecks crossed the cigarette men's goal eleven times and kicked ten perfect goals for point after touchdown, probably a record here for kicking for point. The score record is 88.

The Marines made their first touchdown within six minutes of play, when Bobby Getke took a false pass and eased through for the first score. Shortly after the next kick-off, he again raced 55 yards for another.

Failing to make any headway through the Marine line, Piedmont resorted to passing early in the game, but out of numerous tries gained but little yardage, and drew three penalties for failure to complete on second try in a series of downs. One in the first quarter proved even more costly when Jack Miller, who

played a brilliant game throughout, intercepted a shot from Chambers to Forrester and straight-armed his way through for touchdown. While in the game, Miller consistently mussed the visitors' attempted passes. The Marine back also played a fine tackling game.

The Marine's passing was at its best this season, accounting for three touchdowns and working with fine precision. For the most part they were short ones, the receivers, Peters, Griffin and Johnson, racing approximately 115 yards to make their touchdowns. Griffin's 35 yard run for touchdown during the last few minutes of play was one of the features of the game.

Mike Wetja and Pat Pearce played consistently, accounting for two touchdowns each, and Red Campbell came back with a powerful offensive, ploughing through the Piedmont line almost at will. The Marine team as a whole displayed a splendid working machine, showing the results of the extra hard grilling being imposed upon the men by Coach Larson in preparation for their championship game with the Infantry School of Fort Benning in Savannah on Armistice Day.

The line-up:

Marines.	Positions.	Piedmont.
Johnson	L. E.	James (Capt.)
Poley	L. T.	McKay
Davis	L. G.	Crowe
McCracken	Center	Teasley
Edmonston	R. G.	Welch
Cobb	R. T.	Jones
Peters	R. E.	Head
Jordon	Q. B.	Bass
Getke	L. H.	L. Chambers
Wetja	R. H.	Fontclaire
Miller	F. B.	Forrester
Marines	34	21
Piedmont	0	0
	0	0-0

Referee—Brantley Harvey, U. of S. C. Umpire—Earl Chadwick, Beaufort. Linesman—Donald Spicer, P. I.

CENTRAL OF GEORGIA

LOSES CLOSE GAME

Parris Island, S. C., Oct. 31.—After playing more or less ragged throughout the game, the Marine's third string line redeemed itself during the last few minutes of play, and rushed in to block Gorman's kick and garner an easy touchdown for the Leathernecks here this afternoon, giving the latter a 6 to 0 victory over the Central of Georgia eleven in the most stubborn game witnessed here this season.

Although the Marines made most first downs, the visitors had an edge on them throughout the game, crashing through the Marine line time and again to drop their backs in their tracks. The first three quarters went scoreless, both teams losing the ball on downs numerous times. The Marines did a little fumbling, and failed to complete a number of passes, two of them calling for penalties.

Griffith, of the Marine third string, intercepted two passes attempted by the visitors, the last one being the start of a march to the visitor's goal. The Marines played in spurts, however, and after taking the ball from kick, the railroaders marched back to the Marine's

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THE LEATHERNECK

Thirty-seven

35-yard line. At this point Gorman attempted to drop kick the goal, but failed.

Taking the ball on their own 20-yard line, the third string men started another march by the way of the aerial route, and Pet Pearce's line plunges, and brought the ball to Central's two-yard line. The railroader's line formed an impregnable wall here, holding the Leathernecks fast and causing them to lose the ball on downs.

On the Central's first play, Gorman attempted to kick out of danger, but here the Marine line managed to crash through. Levie and Hopper, who joined the squad last week, mussed the kick. The former blocked it and the latter promptly fell on the ball, giving the Marine's the winning touchdown. Griffin failed to kick goal for extra point.

Despite the fact that the Marines won, it must be stated that the Central of Georgia aggregation presented a better working machine. Fleet Marine backs were tackled behind the line of scrimmage time and again, especially by the railroader's ends, who seemed always to get around the Marine line.

The game was the closest and hardest fought seen here this season, and was witnessed by an unusually large Sunday crowd. The railroader's bevy of beautiful girl sponsors again proved to be a great attraction for the hundreds of Marines here, and their cheering efforts were heartily applauded.

The line-up:

Marines.	Positions.	Central Ga.
Woods	L. E.	Strippy
Baugh	L. T.	E. Kelley
Levie	L. G.	Gayner
Duce	Center	Riley
Stroup	R. G.	Fox
Hopper	R. T.	Blackstone
Bishop	R. E.	L. Kelley
Humphrey	Q. B.	Gorman
Campbell	L. H.	Cramer
Shoupe	R. H.	Kiley
Griffith	F. B.	Dalley

Referee—Swede Larson. Umpire—Rush Freeman. Linesman—Donald Spicer.

McCAINS, NEALE AND CHAMBERS STARRING WITH WESTERN MARYLAND

Three former Marine Corps grid stars are now starring for Western Maryland this season and have kept the colors of that institution waving in football circles by their performances. These buddies, who were well known to the majority of football fans two years back are McCains, "Greazy" Neale, and Chambers.

A few weeks back these worthies practically carried the entire game for Western Maryland against Holy Cross in losing 2-0 and were touted in Worcester and the Bean City as nothing short of wonders.

SAN DIEGO SINKS SUBMARINES BY SCORE OF 13-9

Again as we go to press the news comes hot over the wire that San Diego has added another triumph to its long list of victories by beating the Submarine eleven, 13-9.

A touchdown scored a few seconds before the final whistle won the game for the Marines, who had been holding the short end up until this time. The Submarine aggregation were the District and Fleet champs last year and their defeat by the Leathernecks this season adds much glory to Hall's eleven.

5TH NAVAL DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP GOES TO NORFOLK MARINES

"Have Situation Well in Hand" Against Naval Training Station, and Take Game By 39-0 Score

Before a large attendance, including many high ranking Army, Navy and Marine Corps officials, the Norfolk Marines romped over the National Training Station, on last Saturday afternoon, November 6th, at the Naval Base, by a one-sided score of 39-0.

"Big Bam" Alexander threw quite a scare at the Training Station by scoring in the first five minutes of play. Hall failed to kick over for the extra point but the score became fattened in the next few minutes of play when Hetrick recovered a blocked kick, enabled by the diminutive Owens to skirt end for six more points. Not satisfied with his piece of work, Owens received the ball from a punt and ran 35 yards for a touchdown, evading the Naval Training Station tacklers by his brilliant broken field running.

Not once did the Marine line weaken, permitting the Sailors only four first downs, made chiefly through the use of short forward passes over the line. The Gobs resorted to the air attack in the second quarter, after being convinced that hitting the Leathernecks' line was like running against a stone wall, and by relying on the forward pass system of playing football they had the Marines on the go for a brief period. The Gobs then played a defensive game throughout and the first half ended as Cloud, who played an excellent game at center for the Marines, intercepted a forward pass.

The second half opened up with both teams playing on even terms; but, by the excellent interference given by his teammates Owens again wiggled through the Gobs lines for the only marker of the quarter. Hall missed the kick for extra point by a few inches.

In the last quarter Owen's once more nabbed the pigskin from a punt and did an "a la Grange" down the field for 53 yards. His ability to evade tacklers and dodging them right and left, change of pace, etc., that goes to make one a good broken field runner, brought the crowd to their feet on more than one occasion. "Wee" Hall, playing quarterback and as a field general not satisfied with the score his team was piling up, received the ball from a punt and ran it back 65 yards, planting the ball on the Gobs 5-yard line. A few line plays and Saunders, by his weaving through the Station line, registered the final touchdown of the game. Hall, making both points after touchdown by placement kicks.

Taking the Naval Hospital into camp by a score of 42-0, Fort Eustis 6-0, left the Training as the only contender for the mythical title. The Training Station played well, but the line, not holding at critical times, and occasional poor judgment, paved the way for the big score in favor of the Marines.

Winning this game for the third consecutive year gives the Norfolk Marines the 5th Naval District Championship for 1926 and permanent possession of the trophy.

The game ended with the Naval Training Station in possession of the ball on their 20-yard line.

Line-up and summary:

Marines.	Position.	Train.	Station.
Aman	R. E.	Woods	
Estes	R. T.	Sherlock	
Petrevitch	R. G.	Prince	
Cloud	Center	Phillips	
Tancin	L. G.	Shuester	
Clapp	L. T.	Hill	
Brownfield	L. E.	Fineburg	
Hall	Q. B.	Freeburg	
Hetrick	L. H.	Thompson	
Owens	R. H.	Chisolmon	
Alexander	F. B.	Renick	

Score:

Marines	19	0	6	14—39
Training Station	0	0	0	0—0

Touchdowns: Marines—Alexander 1, Owens 4, Saunders 1. Points after touchdown—Hall 2. First downs—Marines 17, Training Station 4. Forward passes completed—0 out of 6 attempted; Training Station—3 out of 21 attempted. Penalties: Marines—5 for 75 yards; Training Station—1 for 5 yards, 13 for 65 yards due to incomplete 2d forward passes. Referee—Barry (Virginia). Umpire—Wilsh (Navy). Head linesman—Billups (V. P. L.). Time of quarters—15 minutes.

ARMY-MARINE GAME SEATING AND ADMISSION REGULATIONS

Rules and regulations governing the admission and seating arrangements are printed below for the information of officers and enlisted men who intend witnessing the President's Cup football game between the Army and Marines at Catholic University Stadium on November 20.

All officers and men of the Marine Corps will occupy seats in the same side of the stadium as in previous games. Due to the personnel at Quantico being depleted by the large number of men on mail guard duty, only three sections have been reserved for Marines in uniform and will constitute the cheering section. Over 1,500 seats are in this section.

(A) Officers and enlisted men of the Marine Corps and Army in UNIFORM who form at the gates at 1:30 p. m. and march in and are seated in their respective cheering sections will be admitted free.

(B) All officers and enlisted men in uniform who do NOT sit with their cheering section will be admitted to reserved seats for 50 cents, and to box seats for \$1.00.

(C) All officers and enlisted men in civilian clothes will be charged civilian prices of \$1 for general admission, \$1.50 for reserved seats, and \$2 for boxes.

(D) Parties consisting of enlisted men in uniform accompanied by their families and friends will be admitted for 50 cents per person to reserved seats.

(E) Only official automobiles will be admitted in the stadium and these cars will be marked accordingly.

GAME STARTS PROMPTLY AT 2 P. M.

Everyone is requested to be in their seats by 1:45 p. m., so as to not interfere with the program of events.

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

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TWO "FIGHTING MARINES" DEFEATED TWO DEMPSEYS

La Blanche & Tunney

"Victor in a hundred or more battles, without a blemish to mar his record," Jack Dempsey, the great "Nonpareil," clashed "with George La Blanche, 'The Marine,' at San Francisco, August 27, 1889, in a memorable battle that turned the fistic world topsy-turvy." After "thirty-two rounds of milling," La Blanche "suddenly swung around in a complete circle (flailed his arms in the delivery, of which was energized every ounce of power at his command, and caught the surprised champion flush, scoring a complete knock-out." That was the first "pivot blow" which shortly after was barred. (Wrote Robert E. Geistlich).

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"They all go the same way. Another once great champion joins the ranks of the Big Parade of Has-Beens. A never-ending parade. Tonight (September 23, 1926), Jack Dempsey called the Manassa Man Mauler, was so badly outboxed and outclassed in ten rounds by Gene Tunney, one of the United States Marines, that toward the finish he seemed more like a Third Rater than one of the greatest champions that ever lived." The "fight ended with Dempsey's left eye completely closed and his face mangled, swollen and bleeding," while "Tunney was little marked." (Wrote Damon Runyon).

GOLD IN HAWAII

The Lure of Gold! What a will-o'-the-wisp it has proved for the most. A workman early in January, 1848, discovered at Sutter's Mill, California, a gold nugget and the world became gold-drunk.

And Hawaii! the Islands were not gold-proof. Many mounted the arching rainbow beneath whose farther end no pot of gold was buried. Eastward they went and westward many never returned. But it was gold that brought humans to the Pacific Coast and a market for the Hawaiian Islands.

The true gold germ finally floated westward and settled for a moment in Hawaii, for read this letter written at Lahaina on September 10, 1851: "Yesterday we received a letter from Hawaii, or Owyhee, enclosing a sample of gold which was found there; in fact, a gold mine has been found on that island. Dr. Gregg says that there is no doubt that the ground is full of gold. It is found the same way as it is in California. The natives are delighted, and if the excitement does not abate they will go crazy. The foreigners prefer hearing more before they move in the matter. We will have full particulars next week."

That information was published in the United States in December, 1851.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN'S GODSON WAS OUR SECOND COMMANDANT

Sauntering along the shaded streets of Philadelphia are an American gentleman and an American boy. The name of the gentleman is Benjamin Franklin and the name of the boy is Franklin Wharton. The boy grew up and became the second Commandant of the Marine Corps, relieving William Ward Burrows in March of 1804.



It was not an unfamiliar sight to see Benjamin Franklin walking the streets of Philadelphia with the boy Franklin Wharton who, when he grew up, became the second commandant of the Corps.

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On April 26, 1766, a happy father in Philadelphia wrote to Benjamin Franklin, who was in Europe. He wrote of a fond mother who held a baby boy in her arms. The happy father and the fond mother were the parents of Franklin Wharton, our second commandant. The names of the parents were Thomas Wharton and Mary Wharton (nee Clifton). Franklin Wharton was one of a family of six sons and two daughters. Thomas Wharton might have given his new son the name of Clarence, or Percy, but he did not. And for reasons. His friend Benjamin Franklin was Philadelphia's foremost son. Thomas and Mary, his wife, deliberated.

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So Thomas Wharton sat down and wrote a letter dated April 26, 1766, to Benjamin Franklin. In it he announced the birth of a son whom they had taken the liberty to name Franklin Wharton. And Thomas Wharton hoped that this proof of their regard for Benjamin Franklin would not be disagreeable to him.

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It, of course, was a delightful surprise to Benjamin Franklin and when he returned to Philadelphia it was not an unfamiliar sight to see Benjamin Franklin walking the streets of Philadelphia with

his godson Franklin Wharton, who later became the second Commandant of the Marine Corps.

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"Dear Mary, what name will we give the baby?" asked Thomas.

"Thomas, I was thinking of our dear friend in France."

"Benjamin Franklin, you mean, Mary?"

"Yes, Thomas, would Benjamin feel affronted, think you?"

"I think not, Mary. Let him be christened Franklin, and I will write to Benjamin immediately."

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So Franklin Wharton was born in Philadelphia. (I have a paper which distresses me for it states he was born July 23, 1767). Married at Christ Church, Philadelphia, in October, 1800, to Mary Clifton. Commissioned Captain in Corps in 1798; served on Frigate "United States" in French Naval War; then to Philadelphia; and next became commandant with rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Died in New York City in 1818. Buried in Old Trinity Church graveyard.

RICHARD H. DANA'S HAWAIIAN SWIMMER

Probably no author of prominence has written more kindly about the Hawaiian people than Richard Henry Dana, Jr., in his "Two Years Before the Mast." Below is related one incident which Mr. Dana placed under date of July 18, 1835, as occurring at San Diego, California. There were always a dozen to twenty Sandwich Islanders in this town and Mr. Dana became quite fond of several of them.

On the day in question the Mexican brig "Fazio" sailed for San Blas and Mazatlan. She was floating "out of the harbor when two horsemen came dashing down to the beach at full speed, and tried to find a boat to pull off after her; but there being none at hand, they offered a handful of silver to any Kanaka who would swim off and take a letter on board. One of the Kanakas, an active, well-made young fellow, instantly threw off everything but his duck trousers, and, putting the letter into his hat, swam off after the vessel.

"Fortunately the wind was very light, and the vessel was going slowly, so that, although she was nearly a mile off when he started, he gained on her rapidly. He went through the water leaving a wake like a small steamboat. I certainly never saw such swimming before.

"They saw him coming from the deck, but did not heave to, suspecting that his errand had something to do with trouble with the government duties. Yet, the wind continuing light, he swam alongside and got on board and delivered his letter.

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New Orleans, La.

Dear Fellows: It is a little late, but our first chance to say it with you since the fight, so, Hurrah for Gene! And, how much did you bet? Isn't it great to have the champ a Marine, and better still, the sobriquet they have given him of "Gentleman Gene"? Now Dempsey can have his nose re-hashed or revamped, buy him a little villa at Locarno and attend all the peace conferences held there, without the sword of Damocles, in the form of the fight with Gene, hanging over his head. Dempsey has proven himself such a diplomat at avoiding fights during the past few years that they ought to make him a permanent member of the World Court, as he should be able to advance some practical theories on the subject. Of course we understand that it is the height of catfishness to talk about the guy who was licked, but in these days of freedom from repression and inhibitions we hope to get by just this once. As for Gene, he has our warmest congratulations and good wishes, if they will do him any possible good. We got a glimpse, from behind a man's ears, the other night at the picture show of a bathrobe that was supposed to have been bought for Gene by a bunch of Marines, but we did not get any idea as to color, so if any of you fellows had a close up of said bathrobe we would like a description of it in detail. Christmas shopping will soon be underway, and we would like to mention casually to some of our "goil" friends that we are giving the better-half a bathrobe for Christmas "just the replica you know, of the one the boys gave Tunney, and that he wore the night he licked Dempsey." After the good news had come in via radio here, the American Legion, which boasts a very excellent drum corps, trotted it out and with a thousand or more of Gene's loyal rooters, took the down town section by storm. Again, hurrah for our champ, "Gentleman Gene!"

Just what the fellows are doing across the river we cannot say, as they never come over and look us up like they used to. After the weather begins to get cold, and street corners that are pleasantly cool now become down right chilly, and the call of the flapper and the park bench is equivalent to a cold on the chest and sick bay, we hope that one or two of them anyhow, will remember we are alive and drift over our way. Newman is transferred it's true, but Sgt. Hart and Oko Brown still know the way to our attic and we hereby renew our invitation to them especially and the gang in general to drop in whenever they feel like it.

Now that the fishing season is about over we are wondering what Sgt. Dinty Moore and his bunch of Isaac Walton's are going to find to take the place of the ripened shrimp and the fishing pole, which they piled so assiduously all summer.

Referring again to Gene Tunney, now that we have the Ederle goggles, the Lenglen eye-shades, why shouldn't we have the Tunney bathrobe?

Every locality has its special jokes and colloquialisms, but we have never found any half so interesting or entertaining as the ones credited to the Louisiana Cajan. These people, who so long have lived a life of indolent ease amongst the bayous, until recently cut off by bad roads from city civilization, speaking a mongrel language composed of French, English and Spanish, have a dialect that is amusing, unique, and at the same time musical in a great many instances. One of the best Cajan stories we have heard was about a man in New Orleans who wrote to his country cousin to bring him up a nice fat goose the next time he came to the city. The matter then slipped his mind. Meanwhile the cousin came up to the city, found his relative out and left the goose to the tender mercies of the negro cook. Later in the day, on his way back to the country he saw the New Orleanian, whom we will call "Jules," standing before a cafe door, so pulling up his wagon to the curb he called out:

"Jules, you got dam goose?"
"What?" said Jules, rather mystified.
"You got dam goose?" called the countryman.

"What for you call me G—D—Goose?" called Jules angrily. "I don't call you G—D—Goose," explained his cousin, "I ask you, is you got dam goose I lef' for you."

"How do you keep your hat so fresh," we asked a local newspaperman, noticing the crisp whiteness of his panama at the lag end of the season. "That," he replied, "is because I had it cleaned twice this year and exchanged it once in a restaurant."

"If Ford should become president would he be a flivver or a Lincoln?" a paragrapher asks. Our reply to that question would be that with his usual meticulous regard to details he would refer to his books, and to that part of the country showing an extreme partiality to the Lizzie, he would become a Ford, whilst to the more high brow localities he would exhibit all the qualities of Beauty, Safety and Lasting Value we were recently told, by a salesman, are embodied in the Lincoln.

"What kind of exercise would you like?" the warden inquired of a condemned prisoner.
"I would like to skip the rope."

Says the Blonde Stenog "The old-fashioned mother who used to wash twelve pair of feet in a tin wash basin every night during the barefoot season, has a daughter who quarrels constantly be-

cause it takes three baths a week to keep the poodle clean."

"Didja hear about the cats assaulting the camera man?"

"Naw! How come?"

"Well, you see, they was after the little bird he carts around in the camera."

You just can't keep one tall, blonde Leatherneck, of the Naval Station across the river out of the ladies' minds. Navy Day we sat just above a bunch of girls from Newcomb College, come over to root for the Tulane gang who were playing football with the local Marines. But, when the Marines came out on the field, and Oko Brown's blonde beauty made itself evident one of the young ladies was heard to sigh, "Gee, that Marine certainly is handsome! Say, I don't feel much like shouting today, and I don't even care if they clean up on Tulane," and it must have been unanimous, for there wasn't a peep heard out of the five Greenie Rooters during the entire game.

With some of the claims made by our Kiwanis and Rotarian Societies, it won't be a bit illogical for P. T. Barnum, or old man Mugalvaney who operates John Robinson and other circuses, to come forth and tell us that Noah was the first showman; or some of the musician's locals to claim David as the progenitor of their present cymbal banging, drum whacking crew, that go to make up a jazz band.

When it comes to pets, we hand the diamond studded, tissue paper raincoat to a neighbor of ours around the corner, who has a pet alligator, 14 feet long, which sleeps under his bed every night and wakes him up by thumping its tail on the floor at six o'clock each morning.

A BEDTIME STORY

"Once upon a time a certain cruiser put into a port for a Navy Day celebration. One of the gobs off it fared forth in search of adventure, and found it in a small drinking place on the waterfront. He returned to his ship with a large black eye. But, this gob was a good little gob, and so his fairy godmother came to him and told him to take twenty of his comrades, and go down to the little hole in the wall the next night. Sure enough, believing just what his fairy godmother had whispered to him was right, he did, and when he and the twenty other gobs got to the place they found only thirty merchant marine sailors and a bar tender there. Then, the little gob's fairy godmother got in her work, for the lights went out, and there was a noise like Biff! Bang! and, for four days afterward, every A. B. ordinary sailor, or engine room assistant that went down to sign for a job aboard a cargo ship had to do a lot of explaining to the shipping master as to how both of his eyes were black. And, deep down in their hearts we'll bet those merchantmen were powerfully glad that cruiser didn't happen to be the type that carried some Leathernecks along."

The BROADCAST

Wherein The Leatherneck Publishes News From All Posts

QUANTICO HALLOWE'EN DANCE A HUGE SUCCESS By Cpl. I. Schneider

The Enlisted Men's Dance Committee held a Hallowe'en dance on Friday eve, October 29th, 1926, at the post "gym." The dance was a costume affair, permission having been granted by the Commanding General for the enlisted personnel in attending in costume.

It is the general opinion that this Hallowe'en dance was the most successful one held at this post, and this was due to the splendid cooperation of the members of the dance committee and the support of many who are not members of the committee.

Dancing started at 7 o'clock and continued until 11:30 p.m., to permit the ladies from Washington an opportunity of entraining at 12 o'clock; this being a special train chartered for the occasion.

Aside from the dances programmed there were four extras including the Grand March. The Grand March was led by the Commanding General and Mrs. Rowlee, wife of the committee chairman, and the committee chairman, Paymaster Sergeant Ray A. Rowlee and Mrs. Hooker, wife of the Chief of Staff. Sergeant Major Lang was in charge of the Grand March and proved an able leader.

Prizes were furnished for the most appropriate costumes. The winners were selected as they participated in the Grand March. The judges were: Colonel R. S. Hooker, Chief of Staff; Mrs. W. P. Upshur, Mrs. R. H. Dunlap, Mrs. E. Smith, and Mrs. G. Lentz.

Refreshments were served throughout the dance. Through the tireless efforts of Mrs. E. Hedges, chairman of the Refreshments Committee, Mrs. Raley, Mrs. Blay, and several other ladies of the post not on the committee, very much in the line of good eats were provided. Those doughnuts were the most delicious we ever tasted and the only fault we had to find, personally, was that we didn't eat more than we did, for the simple reason that we were not aware of their presence until most of them were gone. But they were good, indeed!

Although there were approximately 1,000 men away from the post on mail guard duty at the time, there were more men and ladies from the post at this affair than ever before. It was noticeable that folks who had never before attended our dances were among those present, this including a large number of officers, their wives and friends. The attendance from Washington, too, was greater than heretofore, making it withal, the largest attended enlisted men's dance held at this post.

Sergeant Major Lang was in charge of the decorations and left nothing undone to beautify the gym for the occasion. The usual Hallowe'en decorations were used, as were a number of novelties. And we must say that Sergeant Major Lang can always be depended

upon to get up some unique novelties. His moon was the typical harvest moon; the skeletons were a novelty in themselves, and the hay wagon that served for the orchestra pit was typical of what Farmer Gray uses.

That a good time was had by all was attested to by the fact that everyone left the gym well pleased and with promises to come to our dances again and often.

The following is a roster of the Enlisted Men's Dance Committee who were responsible for the success of this dance: Chaplain Edwin B. Nivers, Chaplain George G. Murdock, Sergeant Major Arthur J. Lang, Paymaster Sergeant Ray A. Rowlee, chairman; Gunnery Sergeant Frank J. Smith, assistant chairman; Sergeant and Mrs. Howard J. Hedges, Corporal Frank E. Dowdell, Corporal Isadore Schneider, assistant secretary; Mrs. Cleo M. Raley, secretary; Mrs. Ada L. Blay, Pharmacist's Mate Raymond Dank, Private Karl McCormick, Private William E. Chambers, Private Harry Barton, Private Albert Haldeman, Private Ross Gilland, Private Harry Redfearn, Gunnery Sergeant M. A. Shaw, orchestra leader.

STATION "AIRS" BROADCASTING Cpl. I. Schneider

Good Evening Everybody:

This evening, folks, we are going to tell you about a new style of football that was brought into play on October 15, 1926, at Brown Field, an aerial football eleven "took-off" on its initial game.

With the Marine Corps Football Squad doing the ground work via a flying tackle, at a given signal, the eleven-plane formation took the air with the pilots in the positions as stated below:

Lieutenant McKittrick, left end.
Corporal Price, left tackle.
Captain Evans, left guard.
Captain Moore, center.
Captain Davis, right guard.
Lieutenant Towner, right tackle.
Master-Tech-Sgt. Fry, right end.
Master-Tech-Sgt. Blackwell left hb.
Master-Tech-Sgt Paschal, right hb.
Captain Woods, fullback.

The famed Lieutenant Sanderson, former member of the Marine Football Teams, lead the formation as quarterback, and looked like the "Sandy" of old.

Mr. Miggins of the Fox News, was on hand to take pictures of the first aerial football game. Flying with Captain Bourne, he procured quite a few feet of film until he lost the crank of his camera and had to quit. It is rumored that Mr. Miggins saw a school of starving fish while over the Potomac and being a lover of fish, he proceeded to throw them his lunch of which he had partaken of only a few minutes before.

"Bozo" Duncan had to live up to his name, so when making his run to the ship he pulled the rip-cord of his para-

chute and got tangled up in the mess before he could get into the plane.

Major E. H. Brainard, USMC, Officer in Charge of Marine Corps Aviation, witnessed the novel event as did also Captain H. D. Campbell, USMC, who was recently presented with the Herbert Schiff Trophy by President Coolidge in recognition of the safety record he has established in the air. Captain Campbell has flown over 2,500 hours, approximately 250,000 miles, without a mishap. He is attached to the Aircraft Squadrons, W. C. E. F., Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif., and he made the trip East to receive the trophy from the President.

During the target year 1926, out of a total of 426 men who fired the prescribed rifle course, more than 96 per cent of the men from this organization qualified.

First Lieutenant Christian F. Schilt, USMC, has been selected as one of the pilots for the Schneider International Cup Races to be held at Hampton Roads, Va., on Armistice Day, November 11th. Lieutenant Schilt has made many trips to the Naval Aircraft Factory, Philadelphia, Pa., in connection with testing the plane he will pilot in these races.

Graduation exercises for the first class in the Observers' School, this station, were held Friday, October 15, 1926. A short address was delivered by Major General Eli K. Cole, U. S. Marine Corps, followed by the delivering of the diplomas by the Commanding General.

Among the honored guests present were Major E. H. Brainard, Officer in Charge Marine Corps Aviation; Captain H. D. Campbell, the world's safest flyer, and others. The graduation class consisted of the following named officers:

Captain Francis J. Kelly, First Lieutenant Hamilton, M. H. Fleming, Byron F. Johnson, and John B. Neill; Second Lieutenants Frank J. Uhlig and Charles W. Kail, and Marine Gunner Elmo Reagan.

On Friday evening, October 22, 1926, the officer personnel of the Aircraft Squadrons, E. C. E. F., gave a costume dance termed "The Hop Over the Moon" for their friends.

The dance was held in the Bomber Hangar; the hangar being sealed by professionals, so that with the exception of the one entrance which consisted of a set of stairs leading to a chute through which all had to enter, there were no means of gaining entrance into the mysteries of the "Hop Over the Moon."

It was noticed that many of the aviators were limping around the camp Saturday morning, and everyone was wondering whether it was caused by a head-on collision, or due to the fact that the chute was not properly greased. It is known that some of them are still carrying splinters for souvenirs.

The beverage consisted of cider made from a recipe given us by the w. k. Congressman Hill of Maryland.

Upon arrival of a certain young lady

wearing the costume of a snow girl, the aviators started paging the quartermaster, Captain Hausmann, to break out the winter flying gear.

The hangar was decorated with greens, corn stalks, Hallowe'en lanterns, and various electrical effects, all done under the supervision of Lieutenant W. B. Trundie, who was assisted by many willing hands.

A good time was had by all and the affair terminated when everyone had made their "Hop Over the Moon."

Kind listeners-in, we are proud to make the announcement that Sergeant John H. Price has been designated a Naval Aviation Pilot and was promoted to that rank on the 20th of October. The Operations Officer, Captain Louis M. Bourne, Jr., in behalf of our Commanding Officer, presented Sergeant Price with his wings and his sergeant's warrant at mess formation.

The remaining Student Naval Aviation Pilots are doing well and it is hoped that it won't be long before Branson, Claude, Bridges, Seivers, Savage, Pabst, and Nolan get their wings.

A date has finally been selected to the satisfaction of all to have our smoker. It will be held Monday, November 15th, in the Bomber Hangar. There are to be plenty of eats, boxing and wrestling matches, comedy, and singing. All the talent will be composed of the personnel of this field and the smoker will be a strictly stag affair. A good time is assured all who will attend.

You folks who were among the missing at the last fights in the post "gym" missed a treat. Yes, indeed, for the main bout between a much highly touted gob named Tucker and Packey Ahern, better known to us as Mickey Goldberg, gave the fans what probably was the best boxing contest held at the gym this year. And the result was just as surprising as the bout was astonishing. Tucker, whom no one dared meet from the main part of the camp because he was reputed to be a world beater, something on the order of an ex-champ of the Pacific Fleet or the Pacific Coast, was anything but that in this bout.

From the tap of the bell in the first round Ahern went after his man, and although it was truly doubtful if he would last, he proceeded to tie up his opponent so that Tucker was powerless. Ahern got going in the second round and after that did not let up to the final bell. Using a straight left jab and one-twoing it with an occasional right hook, Ahern fought off Tucker at every point, after the first round.

Although the result of the bout was a draw, it was a moral victory for Ahern, for no other man in Quantico was willing to go in the ring with Tucker, or at least it was hard to find a man who would go in with him. And too, it must be realized that Ahern was notified four hours before the bout was to have taken place that he would fight the highly touted Tucker.

In justice to Tucker, we must say that he was there at the final gong, knowing though that he had met a tougher foe than he had ever expected to meet.

We are grooming Ahern for the main bout of our smoker events. We are looking forward for him to keep on in true fighting condition that we may send

him in bigger and more important bouts. In Centner he will meet a youngster, who though not as well versed in boxing technique as he, but one who is always in the best of physical condition, and because of that one who will always give the fans a good show.

Speaking of boxers, we have quite a few in training for this smoker, and judging from their workouts at our gym we can look forward to some corking bouts. Aside from the main event which will have Packey Ahern against Joe Centner, the following matches are to be held: Ryder vs. Plourd; Leonard vs. Boyd; Ross vs. Braun; and the opener, Curry vs. McMahan. There will be a wrestling match between Cunningham and Henson, both in the neighborhood of 155 lbs.

Station "AIRS" now signing off.
Good night everybody!

HEADQUARTERS NEWS

The whole crowd felt like it was welcoming an old friend, when Lieut. Colonel E. R. Beadle hove in sight at Headquarters fresh from Parris Island, where he is now "Chief of Staff"-ing for General Lee, with his usual "wim" and "wigor." We have a hunch the Colonel misses the gang here, and the feeling is mutual. He wanted to know about the Second Annual Dance of the A & I Department; what did we tell him: it will be held on Wednesday night, January 26, 1927, at the Hotel Raleigh. Know all ye who read this that you and your best looking sweeties are hereby welcomed to this festive occasion; tickets \$1.00 per each.

The "Big Room" was glad to greet Kenneth V. Hyatt, who has received a civil service appointment and has been assigned to the Muster Roll Division. Hyatt used to be one of the mathematical sharks of the "Bonus Crowd."

The "Big Room" is so quiet you can hear a pin drop these days. "Leatherlung Becker" has been transferred to duty at Parris Island and we know he will make good.

Freddie Moore's sweet voice is once again hitting on all six cylinders. Having had his tonsils removed, we hope his average in the Bowling League will increase and perhaps incidentally, the standing of his team, The Inspectors, which right now is holding down the cellar championship with extreme tenacity.

Pat Nolan, assigned to the Aides' office, was paid off recently and thus we lose our only bid for "grand opera" honors; Nolan specialized in Russian classics.

Private Phillips Bassett has reported for duty at Headquarters taking over Nolan's assignment.

"Ted" Dungan has been transferred to the Historical Section, and is now digging into the whys and wherefors of Marine Corps esprit for the past hundred and twenty-five years (125).

Mrs. Elizabeth Sweeney of the Aviation Section is away on a well earned vacation trip for three weeks. She plans to give a careful "once over" to the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition at "Philly" before returning to duty.

"Pat" Mulhern made a visit to "Beantown" recently; its a shame he couldn't have made a longer trip, but the needs and requirements "of his Army" limited his vacation to the week end variety so

we can assume that four-fifths of the time he was away was spent in natural and peaceful repose.

Enthusiasm engenders success we know, and automatically it must follow that the second "Big Ball" of the A & I Department will be a big success. "Bob O'Toole," chairman, has an enthusiastic set of committees, each headed by an enthusiastic chairman. And if the ticket committee hasn't hit you yet don't feel neglected—as their motto is "Get the money now before Santa Claus gets it."

Speaking of Santa Claus reminds us of Christmas, and the A & I Department personnel plan the annual Christmas tree-smoker-buffet lunch affair, to be staged at noon December 24 in the Big Room. Its one way to be sure of getting a Christmas present, and from the opposite sex; and as we dwell in memory of the last occasion we feel like hastening the time. That buffet lunch that the ladies rigged up with a little strong arm assistance, was a world beater; honest to goodness. (If you don't believe it, ask General Lane, he knows.)

In a previous paragraph we had occasion to refer to our former and popular Executive Officer. It gives us pleasure to bring our record to date and say the incumbent of that important post, Lt. Col. R. B. Creecy, is with and for the personnel all the time, is giving his fullest support to the Big Ball and says he'll be in the line on December 24, ready for his "mug of java."

"Fay" was seen riding across the "White House Lot" the other night with "Valentino" Sinopoli. Oh! you great big man. How do you do it?

Sharpnack thought the Mail Guards would deliver mail as well as guard it, so he tried to mail a letter without addressing the envelope. Postmaster McDonald caught it just as it was being dropped in the official mail box. The Marines are good, Fred, and we admit it, but that is asking too much of them.

Brigham has his alarm clock connected with his telephone, the ringing of his phone at 9:15 a. m. rudely snatched him from the arms of Morpheus with the information that the office was mildly interested in his whereabouts. We advise all Headquarters Marines to install telephones at their bedside, throw "Big Ben" out the window and leave their calls with the Chief of Section.

Charlie Hunter recently won a chest of carpenter's tools; this is on the "level" because we "saw" them; it is "plane," no use to "auger" about it; on the "square" we think they will "brace" him up a "bit" if he takes "awl" the "vice" we are "hammering" out; don't "wrench" your imagination trying to "nail" what we're driving at, as we "chisel" this out of our block without a "rule," and have no "file" to smooth off the edges.

Howell S. Hinman has submitted his resignation as clerk in the Muster Roll Division effective November 5, 1926.

Rumors are ripe to the effect that our lady from Duluth is going to leave us shortly; in other words Esther Davidson is planning to resign, make a trip home, and return to Washington after the New Year.

Margaret Shaughnessy (formerly sergeant, U. S. M. C. R.) is very much stuck up these days. Close cooperation with a bottle of mucilage, pasting to-

gether the Annual Navy Register, has her sticking pretty close to her desk these days.

Have you seen any of the artistic work turned out on the mimeograph by Betancourt lately. He can make one of those machines talk and the pictorial headings he evolves are 100 per cent.

With Leatherlung Becker and Hinman gone, the custodianship of the "Prohibition Bowl-ing" Trophies falls upon the shoulders of "Ken" Hyatt. He lends to the office dignity and decorum.

"Mac" is chesty as the typical "buter and egg" man these days; he recently turned in his old flivver and now has one of Henry Ford's "latest and best."

Anna McGoldrick is turning her hand to forestry these days; when those holly trees grow up they'll "berry" pretty.

Edith Brown is making a cook book, and we understand "calories" is an essential point in her selections.

Francis Pepper has left for a three weeks' vacation trip to Dixie; she has gone to visit the home folks in "Georgia."

Our official undertaker reports business as being dull; and we agree with him, and hope it remains so; but Rambert is always ready when emergency arises.

Jane Blakeney's farm down in Maryland has a big lake adjoining a portion of it, so Jane most graciously remarks to us, "Come down and drop in."

Have you seen Red Ledoux's new (nearly) Chevrolet with its baby blue radiator. He says Graaf, (war-time sergeant major at Headquarters) is responsible for the color scheme; don't he realize we still have SCM's and GCM's and things like that? Ledoux is still hunting for the machine that was stolen from him several months ago.

SECOND ANNUAL BALL OF THE A & I DEPARTMENT

The Second Annual Ball to be given by the personnel of the Adjutant and Inspector's Department of the U. S. Marine Corps will be held on Wednesday evening, January 26, 1927, in the ball room of the Raleigh Hotel, 12th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., and is given for the benefit of the Department's sick relief fund.

On December 30, 1924, Lieutenant Colonel Elias R. Beadle who was the executive officer of the Department conceived the idea of the organization of a relief fund. This received the whole-hearted approval of Brigadier General Rufus H. Lane, the Adjutant and Inspector, and after ascertaining the wishes of the personnel, the Adjutant and Inspector's Department Fund was created.

The object of this organization is to foster the friendship of the officers, enlisted men, and the civil service clerks of the Adjutant and Inspector's Department and to administer to their welfare while sick, at home, in a hospital, and to assist them in cases of emergencies.

The benefits from this fund have justified its inception. Two extreme cases have been cared for by the fund in both of which it was necessary to send members to their homes accompanied by attendants. In addition, numerous acts have been performed which come within the purview of the fund.

The credit for the excellent results obtained rightfully belongs to the com-

mittees, the first of which served until January 11, 1926, and consisted of the following:

Quartermaster Sgt. Frank L. Fisher, chairman; Miss Violet Van Wagner, secretary; Quartermaster Sgt. Robert M. O'Toole, Mrs. Jane Blakeney, Pvt. First Class Frank Batchelor, Miss Margaret C. Shaughnessy, Staff Sgt. William T. Rambert.

The present committee which took office on the above date is composed of the following:

Pvt. First Class Emerson W. Giles, chairman; Mr. Arthur G. Hamilton, secretary; Staff Sgt. Wesley J. Thomas, Miss Geneva Martin, Miss Edith V. Brown, Sergeant Paul W. Mulhern, Staff Sgt. William R. Keller.

Committees are elected annually and serve for one year. The Headquarters Exchange Officer is Treasurer of the fund.

Financial statement shows the following results:

Received from dues for 1925....	\$99.60
Expenditures for 1925.....	40.27
Proceeds from 1st Annual Ball..	97.60
Proceeds from Card Party....	86.07
Received from dues 10 mos. 1926	85.88
3 Life Memberships.....	60.00
Expenditures 10 mos. 1926....	169.42
 Total receipts	429.15
Total expenditures	209.69
Balance on hand	219.46

In order that the cash on hand might not be idle, two 4 per cent certificates of deposits, the par value of each being \$100.60, have been purchased. They are in the custody of the treasurer, where they are readily accessible in case of emergency.

All members of the Adjutant and Inspector's Department are eligible for membership. Life membership may be secured through the payment of twenty dollars, and at present there are three such members. They are:

Brigadier General Rufus H. Lane, Lt. Colonel R. B. Creecy, Major E. A. Ostermann.

Tickets for the ball can be obtained from Quartermaster Clerk, Alton P. Hastings, Marine Corps Headquarters, Room 3327, Navy Building, Washington, D. C., from any of the personnel of the Adjutant and Inspector's Department, or from the First Sergeants of the Marine Barracks, 8th and "I" Streets, S. E., and Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Washington, D. C. The success of this ball depends on the support afforded it and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

THE ADJUSTED COMPENSATION OR "WAR BONUS"

It is two and one-half years since Congress passed the World War Adjusted Compensation Act and after this long period of time approximately 75 per cent of world war veterans of the U. S. Marine Corps have made application for its benefits. In cold figures there are 78,362 eligibles and as of October 31, 1926, 59,204 had been certified to the Director of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau. When it is recognized that the insurance policies issued by the Veterans' Bureau representing the compensation average more than one thousand dollars each, an idea may be gathered as to the huge sum involved in the remaining 25 per cent yet to be issued. Attention next focuses on

the fact that there remains but a little over a year for the veterans to apply, i. e., January 1, 1928.

The Government is anxious that every veteran of the World War with an honorable record receive the reward authorized by Congress, but it does seem that the number who are holding back is unusually large, and it is hoped that all eligible marines who read this will file their applications now.

SENDS OUT THOUSANDS OF INSIGNIA MONTHLY

Marine Corps Headquarters is still functioning on a war-time scale in the matter of insignia. The number of Campaign Medals and Clasps and Buttons sent out each month runs into the thousands. Among them are the Haitian (1915), Haitian (1919-1920), Spanish, Mexican and Dominican Medals, and Victory Medals, Victory Clasps and Buttons. As a sufficient number of each of the insignia mentioned is on hand to supply marines or former marines entitled to them, Headquarters is endeavoring to gradually complete their issuance. Incorrect mailing addresses hamper the task to a certain extent, and any persons entitled to insignia are advised to make official application to the Major General Commandant.

WASHINGTON FESTIVITIES

"Good evening, Colonel. You are not going are you? You are such a nice old dear. The boys all like you, and I do, too. The wife is expecting you home? Oh, won't I do?"

So ran the patter of a masked flapper at the Hallowe'en dance at the Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C., as the Colonel attempted to make his exit a bit before the close of the dance. Amused and at a loss as to the identity of this would-be paramour, the Colonel finally gave vent to the thought, "Who in the devil may ye be?"

Off came the mask and there stripped of feminine mannerisms stood "Patty" Doyle, the inimitable Irishman of the Marine Band. And the Colonel laughed, for who could help but laugh? The entire masquerade was one continual round of jollity. Every moment held some suspense for the large crowd of masked and uniformed revelers.

Well known to the members of the Washington post is a certain room orderly, one Bardales, who has exceptional ability in impersonating. One of his famous impersonations is that of a Guard Mount where he is the Sergeant Major and the band. It is difficult to describe his antics, but their effect on the witnesses is to nearly cripple them from laughing. And so it was at the dance.

There was a Charleston contest, too, one for the girls and one for the boys. Some unusual steps were exhibited. The winner in each case was presented with a pound box of candy.

To the three revelers costumed the prettiest were given prizes, and to the three revelers costumed the funniest were given prizes.

All in all it was the best dance ever held at this post. There were nearly five hundred persons in attendance. The dance was proof of the ability of the dance committee and the coming dances are looked forward to with great expectations of pleasure.

**MARINE CORPS MAIL GUARDS
CARRY IMPROVED MACHINE
GUN**

Old time equipment and safeguards are totally inadequate to meet the operations of modern bandits the Marine Corps realizes. The frequency of banditry throughout the United States has emphasized the need for similarly modernized methods on the part of those charged with the protection of life and property and the adoption of the Thompson gun by the Marines to guard the United States mails is one of the Government's answers to banditry. Since the modern bandit uses a high-powered car with a machine gun—Marines armed with these machine guns have been placed on mail trucks.

The weapon, which will fire 400 aimed shots per minute, is equipped with a new device invented by a Marine Corps officer, known as the Cutts compensator, which so controls the machine gun that it will not kick or rear up when fired. Equipped with the Cutts compensator, the light Thompson gun becomes the deadliest firearm in existence, experts state.

Postmaster General Orders More

The Postmaster General on October 26, personally viewed the new Thompson machine gun with the Cutts compensator, which was explained to him by Colonel Thompson and Colonel R. M. Cutts, U. S. M. C. The Postmaster General highly approved of this modification and directed the purchase of additional Thompson machine guns equipped with the Cutts compensator, which will be the standard equipment for mail guards.

It was always considered a fact that all light automatic fire arms have a large dispersion due to the recoil and the action of the necessary operating mechanism which could not be altered or compensated for, and had to be accepted.

Colonel R. M. Cutts, U. S. Marine, and his son, Lieut. R. M. Cutts, Jr., U. S. M. C., worked for a number of years on a possible compensation for this undesirable dispersion, by the use of the power left in the gases as they emerge from the muzzle and after much research, they succeeded in producing a compensator which completely stabilized these guns as well as the U. S. Springfield rifle, the Browning shoulder-automatic, and the .30 cal. machine gun, all of these weapons being in use in the service.

On observing in press reports that bandits had secured the Thompson sub-machine gun and were using it with deadly effect, they realized that sooner or later this gun would be utilized in mail robberies. It was reasoned that this would result in the Marines being again called to protect the mails, and that they would be forced to meet this new development.

Compensator Completed Recently

The officers felt that this could be answered by arming the Marine mail guards with machine guns more deadly in its fire effects than that possessed by the bandits. Accordingly work was immediately begun to develop a compensator for the Thompson machine gun, and this was successfully completed shortly before the Marines were called out.

The effect of this compensator is to raise the fire effect of the Thompson

THE LEATHERNECK

December, 1926

"FORT LAFAYETTE MARINES"

Reported By Roy L. Farley
Corporal, U. S. M. C.

Not having heard from our detachment in over a year we will give the boys the dope since our last article in "The Leatherneck."

Ours is a small detachment of Marines, Sergeant Jonnie K. Pinkston, U. S. M. C., in charge, stationed on a small Island in New York harbor. We have several new men since our last bit to "The Leatherneck." There are three rather old timers when it comes to service at the fort; namely, our much liked Sergeant Pinkston, P. F. C. Howard A. Reid, and your informant, with a total of eight years service at the fort. Corporal Gordon Hankins, who was recently discharged, has taken unto himself a wife—luck to you "Hank." Corporal James A. Gardner will join us after the rifle range at Wakefield, Mass., closes. He will fill Corporal Hankins billet.

Private Frank Evans, better known as "Benjamin Plop," the boy that is in love by mail, is very much on the outs with the mail orderly. If his correspondence keeps increasing we will need an additional mail orderly.

Privates First Class John Day and "Bob" Glenn, the post liberty hounds, are still with us. Mind you, I mean when they are not on liberty.

We will sound off soon again.

MARINES ARE LANDED IN CHINA

United States, British, French, and Japanese Marines were landed at Kiukiang, Kiangsi Province, China, to protect foreign life and property there during the recent fighting between the Cantonese and the troops of Marshal Sun Chuan-Fang.

This action happened about November 5. Toho News Agency reports that on that day Kiukiang was recaptured by the troops of Sun Chuan-Fang, which troops drove the 1,000 Cantonese who were holding the city away by a surprise attack. Sun Chuan-Fang, overlord of the five eastern provinces of China, is said to be proceeding up the Yangtze River toward Wusueh. It is said that this movement is being made with the intention of expelling the Cantonese from Hankow, which was captured by them early in September from Wu Pei-Fu.

The sister cities, Wuchang and Hanyang, are also held by the Cantonese, the former having been taken after a five weeks' seige. Sun Chuan-Fang is an ally of Wu Pei-Fu.

The fighting at Kiukiang was accompanied by such disorders that the landing of Marines from the United States, British, French, and Japanese battleships was necessary in order to protect foreign life and property. The Cantonese are said to have fired on a British detachment.

If the Cantonese have met with a reverse at Kiukiang it is indicated that they have been halted, at least temporarily, in their march toward Nanking, and Shanghai and ultimately Peking.

AN ANNIVERSARY

RESOLVED, That the President of the United States be requested to present, in the name of Congress, to Captain Stephan Decatur, a sword, and to each of the officers and crew of the U. S. ketch "Intrepid" two months' pay, as testimony of the high sense entertained by Congress of the gallantry, good conduct, and services of Captain Decatur, the officers and crew of said ketch, in attacking, in the harbor of Tripoli, and destroying, a Tripolitan frigate of forty-four guns.

November 27, 1804.

LEAGUE CONVENTION

The Fourth National Convention of the Marine Corps League closed in Cleveland on November 6 with fitting ceremonies after a successful two-day meeting. Approximately 180 delegates attended, representing detachments from over the entire country.

Erie, Pa., was chosen as the site for next year's convention. The mayor and Chamber of Commerce extended their invitations to the Marine Corps League and it was accepted.

The entire convention was extremely well arranged and a wonderful program of events was arranged by the Mr. P. S. Jones, Commandant of the Perry Memorial Detachment.

The parade was participated in by over 300 Marines and ex-Marines, who were led by a 70-piece band. Following the parade the entire convention attended the football game between the Marine Corps team and John Carroll University. The Leathernecks were unfortunate enough to lose to the local collegians, 14-7.

The convention was held at the Cleveland News Auditorium, through the courtesy of that newspaper. The Headquarters of the convention was at the Cleveland Hotel, where the banquet was also held for 300.

Many important topics were discussed during the convention, prominent among which was the unanimous re-election of Major General John A. Lejeune, who attended the convention, as National Commandant. Another was the dividing of the United States into five zones with a vice-commandant in charge of each area. A more minute report will be published in the next issue of the Leatherneck.

The Belleau Woods Memorial program was supported in full by the convention.

MARINES TO GUARD THE MAILS

During the latter part of the month of October orders were issued from Marine Corps Headquarters that the Marines were to guard the mails. Immediately newspapers all over the nation burst into headlines reminding the people of the glorious work that was done by the Marines in 1921, and predicting for the bandits and mail-robbers a none too happy life thenceforth.

With the horrible sum of \$16,000,000 of stolen mail growing each day into a more horrible sum, and with the \$151,000 mail robbery at Elizabeth, N. J., strenuously reminding the Post Office Department of their tremendous losses, Postmaster General New made arrangements in conference with Major General Lejeune for the immediate assignment of Marines to railway terminals, and to mail cars and mail trucks which transport valuable mail. Marines from the Fifth Regiment, Quantico, and from the Fourth Regiment, San Diego, were then, at the order of the Major General Commandant, organized into the "Marine Mail Guard."

For the purpose of organization, the country is divided into two zones and numerous districts, the zone dividing line being the eastern boundaries of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico. Forces operating in these zones will be known as the Eastern and Western mail guards.

Brig. Gen. Logan Feland, with head-

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quarters in Quantico, Va., has been designated commander of the Eastern forces, and Brig. Gen. Smedley Butler, commander of the Western area. Both of them will be assigned appropriate staffs and detailed to mail guard duty exclusively.

The guards are armed with revolvers, rifles, riot guns, and light machine guns. Their orders are "to shoot to kill." In the Western Area a squad of observation planes have been assigned to the task of escorting trains carrying especially valuable cargoes of mail.

OBSERVATION SQUADRON NO. 2 PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI

By Pvt. U. Tellum

On Navy Day, Observation Squadron Two was host to quite a large crowd who attended an aerial circus held at Bowen Field.

All the shops and hangars were open to the visitors, with adequate guides to show them around. The erection shop showed an O2B1 in the making. The steel fuselage was bare for the benefit of those who had never seen the construction of an airplane. In the motor shop, Liberty motors, undergoing over-haul, were left open. One stand showed the crank-case and main bearings; the next stand, the crank-shaft, connecting valves and pistons were shown; and on the third stand, was a complete motor.

At 9:30, Captains Presley and Shearer, Lieutenant Harris, Master Technical Sergeant Pounders and Sergeant Dahlstrom took off in D. H.'s and flew in formation over the field.

After 15 minutes of this Lieutenant Boyden cut in, and the five-ship formation with Lieutenant Boyden, divided into two three-ship formations. The landing of the planes was perfect. Each pilot took his position in the least possible time, and with no confusion whatever.

These two formations circled the field twice, after which they deployed into a bombing circle. Each pilot dropped one miniature bomb at a target in the center of the field.

Next on the program was Captain Presley's demonstration of picking up messages. With the message held between two poles, Captain Presley by diving at it, picked up the message with a device which greatly resembled a radio "fish." At the same time his passenger dropped a message to the men on the ground. This is a very accurate way of directing artillery fire, and the demonstration was perfect.

The thriller was saved for a nightcap. Captain Shearer and Corporal Huffman, our daring death-defying parachute jumper, took off to give the crowd its dessert—to speak. After getting to about 1,000 feet, Huffman threw out a dummy with a flaw chute attached. The chute was cut and the dummy fell without it. To make it seem more realistic, half a dozen men from the field section ran over to where the dummy landed. Quite a few people were fooled, among which were some of our own Marines.

As Captain Shearer approached the field at about a 2,000 feet altitude, we could barely see a figure climb out of the cock-pit onto the step. Watching

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closely, the crowd soon saw a form come hurtling through the air. Resembling the tail of a Haley's comet, a white streak soon appeared; the chute opened, and Huffman was sitting comfortably in his harness. The wind changed, however, and carried him into the jungles immediately surrounding the field. By manipulating his chute very cleverly, Huffman landed in a cleared plot of ground, about a mile from the field. Upon his return from the "bun-docks," Huffman was given a pleasing round of applause by the crowd.

This ended the program for the day, and the crowd gradually dispersed.

The Diplomatic Corps was well represented and among the guests of honor was General Russell, the American High Commissioner and family; Dr. W. W. Cumberland, the Financial Advisor to Haiti; Colonel and Mrs. Myeds; Major Lowell, the Chief of Staff, and also Major Hoyt.

Upon the completion of the last event, Mr. George Merri, the American Charge d'Affaires, left for Cape Haitien via airplane to take passage for Paris, France, where he will take up new duties there. He was given a military send-off and all honor was bestowed on him. As he got into the cock-pit, the 2nd Regiment band sounded "Ruffles" and they were off to Cape Haitien with three planes acting as escorts.

MARINE CORPS RECOMMENDED FOR FLORIDA RELIEF WORK

Commendation of the Marine unit which answered Miami's call for assistance during the hurricane of September 18, has been sent to Maj. Gen. Commandant J. A. Lejeune, by Red Cross and public officials of Miami.

This unit, consisting of 45 enlisted men under the command of Capt. E. T. Lloyd, U. S. M. C., and with Second Lieut. Prentice A. Shiebler, U. S. M. C., as second in command, left Key West, Fla., on the Coast Guard Cutter 'Sauk' at midnight, September 19, arriving at Miami at 1:30 p. m., the following day and were placed at the disposal of that city's relief committee.

The Marine detachment was kept constantly at work from the moment of their arrival until September 30, when they embarked to return to their regular duties at the Naval Station, Key West. Captain Lloyd in a report to Marine Corps Headquarters reveals the scope of the detachment's work:

"Upon arrival at Miami the undersigned reported to the city's representatives in charge and tendered the services of the officers and men, as directed by the commandant, Seventh Naval District. Our services were cheerfully accepted and I was requested to proceed to Allison Island, north of Miami Beach, to investigate a widely circulated report to the effect that a group of approximately 60 men were holding a large quantity of loot, which the report stated that they had taken by pillage of that portion of the hurricane stricken area. The report further alleged that these looters were resisting, or had resisted, the police and militia. Upon arrival at Allison Island 52 men were located aboard a dredge-boat, but a careful and thorough investigation, which included a search of all hands and the dredge, failed to reveal

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any loot. The captain of the dredge stated that all men, on board, were regularly employed there, and that some of these men, however, had previously been employed on another dredge-boat which had sunk nearby, during the hurricane. There was no indications of looting or drinking, no resistance was offered by them, they were not armed, and they willingly submitted to search of their person and dredge. The report having been found erroneous and without foundation, the detachment returned to Miami. The trip to and from Allison Island was made via Coast Guard Boat No. 293.

"Upon return to Miami, from Allison Island, the detachment was assigned to the tasks of guarding the postoffice, certain property on the docks, and medical supplies at a large hotel which had been temporarily converted into a hospital, relieving the Florida National Guards of this duty. In addition to these assignments, details were furnished to guard transfers of money to and from banks, and mail between postoffice and mail cars. Small details were furnished to aid in searching debris for bodies of missing persons."

Commendation of the Marine unit by the Red Cross Bureau of Medical Supplies of Miami follows: "We wish to especially thank Captain Lloyd for the services of his company, which was highly efficient."

O. W. Pittman, postmaster of Miami, in a letter to Captain Lloyd says: "I wish to take this means of thanking you, Lieutenant Shiebler, Sergeant Lowe and all of your company, for the splendid service you have rendered in protecting Government property, especially the post-office at Miami."

"I assure you that it was a pleasure to have men assigned to this duty who were so courteous in pleasing the public, and who at the same time carried out strict orders during the dreadful catastrophe that visited our community. I have only heard the highest praise of your services from every source."

The appreciation of the superintendent of docks, Miami, Mr. George Schollenberger, Jr., was tendered Captain Lloyd:

"I hereby wish to express to you and your men my heartfelt thanks for your help and co-operation in guarding the municipal docks which were exposed to possible looting, on account of exposed freight, and, also a considerable fire hazard on account of so much oil on the water from a sunken oil barge."

Your men performed their duties faithfully and we all appreciate your help."

"THE FIGHTING MARINE" TO BE SHOWN SOON

In October the motion picture entitled "The Fighting Marine," with Gene Tunney as the star, will be seen at the major posts in the Marine Corps. This picture was given free to the Belleau Wood Memorial Association by the Pathé Exchange, Inc., with the understanding that the proceeds from its exhibition be turned over to the Marine Corps for the Belleau Woods Memorial Association. In January and February the picture "Tell It To the Marines" will be ready for circulation throughout the posts in the Corps under the same conditions.

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By "Helium"

We said in the last issue of The Leatherneck that we were going to have a Hallowe'en dance. We also said that, since it is Lakehurst that is putting it over, it will be a success. Was it? It certainly was! So much of a success that we feel our extreme inability in doing it justice in our description. Anyway, we'll try by starting at the beginning.

First, of course, came the decorators acting as the advance guard under the able direction of Lieut. Salzman and Gunnery Sergeant Chambers. With those two in charge we had a hall that was decorated in a manner that would be a credit to anyone who specialized in that sort of thing. Pumpkins carved by the artistic hand of Drummer Grotz hung all over the hall, the pillars resembled corn stalks; in short, everything that goes with a Hallowe'en dance was there. Under decorations might well be mentioned Private Osbourne's posters, which announced to all and sundry that the Marines of Lakehurst were going to have the dance, and announced it in a manner that could be envied by any artist.

One usually does mention committees, so it would be well to do that here. On the Decoration Committee, besides the two master minds already mentioned, were Sergeants Matthews and Carr, Corporal (or is it 1st Sergeant?) Clark, Corporals Laurinaitis, Tpr. Baker, and Private Oldaker. The cloak room gang consisted of Oldaker, Considine, Dick and Lane. Refreshments: Lieut. Leach, Cpl. McClinton, Cpl. Douyard. Invitations: Lieut. Litzenberg and Sgt. Matthews. The ushers were probably the most popular men on the floor with the ladies, for they dashed around with cute little bands of ribbon on their manly chest. They were Gy. Sergeants Chambers and Petrone, Sgts. Kovacs, Matthews, Nelke, Richardson, Gifford; Cpls. Clark and Laurinaitis, and Privates Clinton and Beasley. That's all that I am able to remember now, but doubtless there are many who worked hard for the success of the dance who go unmentioned. We apologize to them now.

And then the dance itself! It would be far easier to say who was not there than it would be to tell who was. Marines, gobs, and a few civilians, but the Marines held the unquestionable majority and by far the most popularity. All our officers attended, and it was noticed by their aspect that none of them had a bad time. If one can judge by cast of countenance they all enjoyed themselves immensely. The orchestra was good, the floor was splendid, the girls, both attached and unattached, were plentiful. What more could a Marine ask for? What? Refreshments? They, too, were there, in plenty. Thanks must be given to Miss Stroboe for her work in getting so many charming young ladies to attend the dance, and that thanks was given, too, by any Marines who met them. The orchestra was procured by the rotund Sergeant Meadows (famous for his Simon Legree manner). And those fellows sure could strut their stuff! We

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are sure that every civilian who attended went away with a higher opinion of the Corps, for every Marine present conducted himself in a manner "Sans peur and sans reproche."

Now, the most important thing has been left to the last—the thing without which the dance could never have been the glorious success that it was. Without the hearty support of Major Miller, our commanding officer, the dance was due to fail. By his support and endorsement the dance rose to the height that it did. Without it—failure. Major Miller was popular enough before the dance, but now his popularity with the men has been doubled. We knew before the dance that our C. O. was a man who had the welfare of his men at heart, and this dance proves it, proves it beyond the shadow of a doubt.

There—that's all Helium can think of to say and he is well aware that his efforts to describe it satisfactorily is weak indeed. Other news we can not think of at this moment—the dance is too fresh in our memory. But—watch us next month! What the high light of the month will be we cannot say now, but trust Lakehurst to produce something really worth while.

And—that's that.

ORIGIN OF BASEBALL CLAIMED FOR ENGLAND

Now it is baseball which an Englishman wants to take away from us the credit of inventing. After the Chipping Nortons had prevailed over Stamford Bridge by a score of 13 to 12, in what Americans of the bleachers would call an imitation of the real article, Fred Lewis, coach of the winning nine, exclaimed to American spectators: "Chipping Norton played baseball before the United States ever heard of it."

To the mystified Americans Mr. Lewis explained that "Abner Doubleday, born near Chipping Norton, and afterward a general in the United States, took the game to America." This is a little too much.

Abner Doubleday, who was a West Point graduate and distinguished himself in the Civil War, was born at Ballston Spa, N. Y. It is true that General Doubleday originated the modern game of baseball, but he never saw Chipping Norton in his life.

Richter in his "History of Baseball" says:

"It appeals to an American's pride to have had the great national game of baseball created and named by a major general in the United States Army, and to know that the game was played as a camp diversion by the soldiers of the Civil War, who, at the conclusion of it, disseminated baseball throughout the length and breadth of the United States and thus gave to the game its national character."

"Rounders" was doubtless the Chipping Norton game, Americans admit their indebtedness to it as the germ of what General Doubleday created.—New York Times.

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The announcement from Washington that U. S. Marines would again be assigned to the duty of guarding the mails, recalls the services of the sea soldiers detailed to this important duty a few years ago.

When the operations of mail thieves became a serious menace in 1921, Postmaster General Will H. Hays requested that a number of Marines be temporarily assigned to mail guard duty.

Mr. Hays submitted his request to President Harding after conferring with members of the President's Cabinet, Major Gen. Lejeune, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and post office officials. It met with the President's approval and orders went out to railway mail superintendents and inspectors to report at once how many Marines would be needed.

Approximately 1000 Marines were immediately assigned to mail guard duty by Edwin Denby, then Secretary of the Navy. They began their new duties on November 10, under the command of Brigadier General Logan Feland, U. S. M. C.

Secretary Denby's message to the Marines of the mail guard stated in part: "You must, when on guard duty, keep your weapons in hand and, if attacked, shoot and shoot to kill. There is no compromise in this battle with bandits. If two Marines, guarding a mail car, for example, are suddenly covered by a robber, neither must hold up his hands, but both must begin shooting at once. One may be killed, but the other will get the robber and save the mail. When our men go in as guards of mail, that mail must be delivered or there must be a Marine dead at the post of duty."

The Marines guarded the mails at transfer points, at the principal post offices, and also while mail matter was in transit from one city to another, performing this duty until January, 1922, when a gradual withdrawal of their services was effected.

This was due to the fact that approximately 13,000 railway mail clerks were armed, trained and equipped, and took over the task to which the Marines had been assigned. These postal employees, like the U. S. Marines, were instructed to "shoot to kill."

Early in March the last of the Marines was relieved from this duty, and Postmaster General Hubert Work, who succeeded Mr. Hays, wrote to Secretary Denby, highly commending the work of General Feland and the Marines and stating his appreciation of their services.

In a final message to the Marine mail guard upon the completion of this duty, Secretary Denby stated that: "During the tour of duty as guards of the United States mails no thefts were reported and no attempts at robbery were successful."

Far back in American history is found the first authentic record of Marines acting as mail guards. It refers to Marines from Hartford, Connecticut, and occurred in May, 1775, a few months before the regular Marine Corps was authorized by an act of the Continental Congress.

Reinforcements, together with mail dispatches and a chest containing 500 pounds specie, were sent to Fort Ticonderoga, which had been captured

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from the British a short time before. Owing to the difficulty of securing reliable guards a detachment of eight Marines was sent to watch over the treasure and dispatches. According to a letter from Silas Root to Jesse Leano those Marines were "well equipped and well spirited" and executed their task in excellent fashion.

U. S. VETERANS BUREAU

Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, director, U. S. Veterans Bureau, announces that there are approximately 2,883,000 adjusted service certificates with a face value of \$2,975,000,000, which will be available in 1927 for deposit as collateral security for loans.

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Loans may be made to the veterans by any bank or trust company, incorporated under the laws of any state, territory, possession or the District of Columbia, but loans cannot be made to the veterans by the U. S. Veterans Bureau. It is of the utmost importance, therefore, that all applications for loans be presented to bank or trust company and not to the Bureau or any of its agencies.

The Director sincerely hopes the veteran will not exercise the loan privilege to any appreciable extent since it will be much more advantageous to the veteran or his beneficiary to hold his certificate unencumbered to the date of its maturity.

WHERE IS?

Mr. Roland B. Burnham, formerly of the 97th Drill Platoon, who served in the Marine Corps during the World War, would like to hear from any shipmates who were aboard the "U. S. S. Nevada." His address is Nashua Trust Company, Nashua, New Hampshire.

HAROLD F. WIRGMAN TROPHY

Major Harold F. Wirgman, U. S. Marine Corps, has most generously offered a silver cup as a subsidiary prize in the Elliott trophy match. This cup has been accepted by the Major General Commandant and will be known as the Harold F. Wirgman trophy.

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(c) That the name of the winning post and score be inscribed on the cup by Headquarters and the cup forwarded to the post to be held by it for one year.

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Doc, the corn doctor.

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Tunzer Bill.

The popular solo, "I'll pay you pay day."

Clark singing "Mother," and "Chico's" well marked "Tatooed Lady."

A gang watching the swimming pool about noon.

Beeg arteests and small drinks at the cabarets.

Who remembers the Metropole or 101 Ranch?

When the new month started at the club.

The old initials at Charley's.

Libow, Joker, Murphy and the water boy.

Number 1, 2, 3 and 4 . . . and then, "Why he no come liberty?"

The hotel de 'leven holes.

The chimes in the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Tower.

Solomon's.

Cold beer in between ranges, and deuces too high for a spotter.

The green turtle.

The cold ride up Wall Street about 11:55 p. m.

Coolies leading polo ponies up Legation Street.

Marine officers in "Tiger hunting hats."

That's what Massey called them.

Hot rum season and the first Tom-and-Jerry.

Boy, bring my book . . . Ega yung. I'll split a bottle with you.

Once more, then we'll all go home. Reveille the morning after—but liberty at noon.

Early liberty for the execution of the devil dance.

Very few saw either.

Visiting the squaw men at their shacks.

Freddie Knauf crabbing.

Big Hill snoring in Charley's corner chair.

The Maskee Club phonograph going up on the topside.

Wop sailors drinking coffee in the International.

Roomboys, rickshaw boys, barboys and small boys.

Yu Hi, the barber.

Jerry with his peanuts—six-for-five as a side line.

Muscle-Belly eating gold fish.

Nigger Brown and John de Coon arguing.

Lefty McClaire making dragon belts.

Winter hikes when dust storms came up.

Summer hikes when they came up again.

Squeegows, Ole Erickson, Norman, Gunner Richardson and Hearne.

I wonder whose place they took?

Or who took their's?

Whipple eating glass down at the club. Jarka passed out in the corner.

Don't wake him up, he's on a forty-eight.

Louie Gray and his woman.

The legless beggar in Charley's alley. Didn't he salute?

A long funeral line coming down Hatamen.

Tom-toms, bass horns of some sort and kids carrying banners.

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How's for ten cents rickshaw fare?

Don't check me in Corporal—I'm going out again.

When the frogs cut up Black Pete.

Who remembers when the German Guard went over the wall.

To help us lick the Limies.

Keane drinking champagne at the Club. Who?

Owl, the feathered bird.

Russian musicians playing American music.

And wops dancing to it.

Marines in civies . . . More in uniform.

All singing chits.

The band practicing.

Never mind the gate—I'll fly over.

Can you remember: Hangover Dick, The Quivering Duke.

Red Nose, Stone Blind Batt, Senator Hogan, Governor Hughes.

John Bunny, Murad the Camel or Jaga Naga Pelz.

Six-months-and-a-butt-to-do—I never ship over.

Not in this outfit.

If I do it won't be for Peking. They all said that.

The gang leaving from the Chien-men station.

Freddie Knauf paying his way home—and back again.

The new arrivals—Second cruise men coming back.

Where's that d—n room boy?

PEKING MARINES WIN SHOOT

The Marines' activities in rifle and pistol tournaments are not solely confined to the United States. We have a report that comes from China telling of a recent shoot there. The Marine rifle and pistol team, composed of members of the Marine detachment, American Legation at Peking, held the center of the stage.

In the annual rifle and pistol matches in North China with the 15th Infantry, the Marines won with a team score of 8,231 as against 8,221 for the 15th Infantry. In the pistol matches the Marines won with a total score of 5,198 as against 4,991 for the Infantry team. Just another example of where the Marines excel.

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON

Warren Sanford Stone, son of Major H. A. Stone, commanding the Seventh Regiment, Marine Corps Reserve, is now a student at Princeton University, class of 1930. There he is a member of the Reserve Officer Training Unit and is reported to be exhibiting the same skill in understanding of the mechanics of artillery as his father possesses. It is said that Major Stone has the longest experience of any officer in the Marine Corps with the Corps Artillery Battalion and the Tenth Regiment.

HUMAN POWER IN DEFENSE

Discussion of "wars in the future," gives writers a chance to predict regarding the way in which great fighting will be done when nations again appeal to armed forces for settlement of argument. Some "authorities" have lately been quoted as declaring that future wars will be won by the Infantry, and other "military experts" are suggesting that machinery will be the means employed in deciding who shall reign or not reign in lands of the earth. The question is left rather "in the air," and this is not intended for a reference to aviation. The probability is that men and guns will win the next war, as they have won all wars since men fought with sticks and stones.

While there is great evidence brought up to show the enormous amount of damage done by artillery and the extensive use of all manner of offensive devices during the World War, it remains a fairly well understood fact that the war was "called off" when the aggressors found themselves confronted by greater numbers of men, with guns, on the opposite side. . . .

Nations build forts and battleships and bombing planes, and endeavor to keep an interest well developed in transportation and supplies. It is the business of the War Department and the Navy Department to study and plan, for the next war. . . .

But all these things would fail utterly if there was not behind the "machinery" millions of men ready to shoulder the rifle—or small machine gun which some authority expects the next doughboy to carry—and step to the front. . . .

Men and guns win wars.—Florida Times-Union.

THE SUPER-AUTOMATIC

Old time equipment and safeguards are totally inadequate to meet the operations of modern bandits. The frequency of banditry throughout the United States has emphasized the need for similarly modernized methods on the part of those charged with the protection of life and property. The adoption of the Thompson gun by the United States Marines to guard the United States mails is Uncle Sam's answer to banditry. The old-time bandit operated on foot or on horseback against the mail wagon with rifle guard, but the modern bandit uses a high-powered car with a machine gun. Uncle Sam retaliates by placing a Marine with a machine gun in his mail trucks. This Marine gunner is a crack shot with overseas service in the war and is equipped with a weapon which will fire 400 aimed shots per minute. The gun is equipped with a wonderful new device invented by a Marine officer, known as the Cutts compensator, which so controls the machine gun that it will not kick or rear up when fired. The Thompson gun weighs only a few pounds, it is shorter than an ordinary rifle, and is not in any sense as large as machine guns such as were used in the war. These guns, equipped with the Cutts compensator, are the deadliest firearms in existence, and bandits will do well to give them a wide berth, particularly when they are in the hands of the Marines.

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MISINFORMATION FROM THE U. S. S. CLEVELAND

It is noted that the Marines have been getting their share of newspaper publicity in Boston and vicinity since the arrival of the mail guards. All of the newspapers in this section of the country have been very kind in their praises pertaining to the efficiency of the Corps. It was also noted that even Rumania's Queen shared the front pages of the press recently with one hundred and five Marines.

"It won't be long now" until the "Cleveland" will have finished her annual overhaul period and will start for points south and west on another tour of duty in the tropics. The song of the steam drills and chipping hammers will be stilled and the only diversion will be Mr. Momm's orchestra. The event of leaving Boston is anxiously looked forward to by the snow dodgers, who have acquired a taste for Bicardi. It may not be amiss to state that certain married men have a long, lean hungry look that can not be interpreted at this time, although the passage of time may furnish a clew to their anxious looks.

It is noted that our new "top kick" has been a frequent visitor to the Back Bay section of Boston recently. The cause of these visits is at present unknown, but as there are but three things to our knowledge that interest "Pop," and as he is a poor singer, therefore it will be left to the imagination as to the other two items of interest. Not long since "Pop" made the acquaintance with a loud speaker from near Worcester whose acquaintance with the Muses is limited to the inspiring power of a humming cotton spinning machine. Pop, wishing to impress the light of his love with his choice of poetic lore, sent her a note to which was attached a stanza of Fitzgerald's translation of Omar Khayyam. The recipient of this choice epic being unacquainted with the Persian tent maker's philosophy translated the verse too literally, inasmuch as "Pop" was informed that this damsel was "too much of a lady to be galloping around in the woods with a Leatherneck, a jug of wine and a loaf of bread, especially at this season of the year and with the brand of wine obtained in the vicinity of Worcester." Another romance shattered.

One of our semi-successful sheiks had a heavy date with a young lady from out of town recently. Due to a previous engagement, or circumstances over which she had no control, the young lady in question failed to appear at the appointed time and place. After a lonely vigil at the place of meeting the young man decided to return to the ship. Giving the cause of his plight careful consideration, this inexperienced and misguided youth sought an explanation from the young lady as to her non-appearance using the long distance telephone as a medium. After receiving a suitable explanation, he immediately became involved in a controversy with another persistent female regarding the payment of two dollars and forty cents due the telephone company.

Being as free from cash as Lady Godiva was said to be of clothing, his predicament was one which called for all the resources with which a Marine is said to be endowed. His frantic S. O. S.

signals for funds ignored by his erstwhile friends, he sought to appease this young lady by extending an invitation to enjoy his hospitality to a good show and dinner following. The young lady, possibly actuated by her loyalty to the telephone company, or her first hand knowledge concerning his financial affairs, declined his invitation with thanks, but did relent so far as to allow him one or two days grace in which to arrange the payment of his debt to the telephone company.

While standing on the corner of a congested thoroughfare of Charlestown recently, discussing the activity of the Prohibition Enforcement Agents and the scarcity of liquor with a few friends, we had the pleasure of meeting "Doc Clifford," who is at present in Boston and vicinity on one of his many tours of inspection. Needless to state Doc's appearance abruptly changed the trend of the conversation to more legitimate channels and also called the writer's attention to the hospitality of a chicken dinner extended him by a part of the Engineer Company, East Coast Expeditionary Forces, while en route from Quantico to the Antietam battlefield in 1924.

2ND BATTALION, 5TH REGIMENT

The Second Battalion of "The Famous Fifth" is now on the air, broadcasting from Fish Point, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

The Second Battalion, less the Forty-third Company, under command of Major Harry G. Bartlett, embarked on the "U. S. S. Cormorant" at Quantico, Virginia, September 27, 1926; disembarked from the "U. S. S. Cormorant" and embarked on the "U. S. S. Chaumont" at Cedar Point later that day. From the moment of embarking it was apparent to every man in the Battalion that this was going to be "some battalion," and that we were going to spend a happy six months at Guantanamo Bay.

The "Chaumont" arrived at Guantanamo Bay on 3 October and the Battalion was established in its new home that evening. The first two days were devoted to general police work and to shaking down and getting established in our new quarters. Then we began our drill and military instructions. Since then we have been massaging the parade ground regularly every morning. The parade ground looks much better and so do the troops. In the afternoons we have swimming parties, baseball games, boating, canoeing, fishing, tennis, and police parties, when transports come in and they are necessary.

The baseball team is under way in good shape, and of the four games played, the Battalion has managed to come out on the long end of two of them. Captain Coffenberg is managing the team, catching part of the time, and seems to be the mainstay with the hickory. Sergeant Tracy, Corporal Gray, and Private Zavaodnick have been doing the twirling and have lots of stuff. Corporal Crater is ground keeper and official bat boy.

The Major planned a splendid program for the birthday of the Corps, and a most enjoyable day was had by all.

Caimanera is still across the bay.

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THE LEATHERNECK

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FROM THE U. S. S. "SEATTLE"

By M. W. Kennedy

In a previous issue of the Leatherneck I said I would give you some more dope on the "Seattle" so here goes for the second installment from this ship. We have now ceased to be one of the Battle Fleet and are now with the Scouting Fleet.

We changed Admirals at San Pedro September 4th during the firing of salutes to the different Admirals as they were relieved. Battleship Division Three was the first to change, followed by Divisions Four and Five. Vice Admiral Jackson attained another stripe when he relieved Admiral Hughes as Commander-in-Chief of the Battle Fleet upon being relieved as Commander Battleship Division Five. All Admirals then assembled on the quarterdeck of the "Seattle" as for the first time in Naval history one brother-in-law relieved another as Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet when Admiral Hughes relieved Admiral Robison. Admiral Robison, who returned to his permanent rank of Rear-Admiral, was then rowed away to his barge by twelve ship's officers, coxswained by Commander Crosse, our executive officer, while the band played "Auld Lang Syne" and "Aloha."

Upon our arrival at San Diego we settled down for the finishing touches before firing short range battle practice. On September 21st we fired short range, and Gun Eight was the only one that made what we all had hoped to make, a Navy "E." Sergeant Dame was the Gun Captain; Privates First Class Houston, Bullard, Rice and Butler were the pointers and trainers. More had hoped to be able to wear the "E" but considering it is the first one that has been on the ship for quite a number of years, we feel very proud that the only one belongs in the Marine Detachment.

After short range and leaving San Diego came the next best thing in the way of extra money for the detachment. Captain Hart, our C. O., started us with a system, his own, for the forthcoming rifle range practice at Guantanamo Bay. Every day we would fall out on the quarterdeck and sight in on targets that the Captain had made for that purpose. We fired the range on October 23rd, and the results of the Captain's work was that the outfit qualified 100 per cent. There were fifty-nine men who fired the range, and of these there were 20 experts and 23 sharpshooters.

We left Guantanamo bound for "Little Old New York" once more, where we will undergo a six-weeks' overhaul period before starting our cruising around again. There are going to be two thirty-day leaves there, and that is what is occupying the gang's mind most now, trying to figure out which one to take. There is a pretty straight rumor around the ship that we leave New York again January 4th for Guantanamo Bay, where we will fire long range and night battle practice.

We will then go to other West Indian ports and some Gulf of Mexico ports before meeting the Battle fleet in Colon for the 1927 manoeuvres.

We left quite a number of friends in the Battle Fleet and it is hoped that we will be able to make as many in the Scouting Fleet as we have left behind.

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THE ALL HADES FOOTBALL TEAM

By Carl Gardner

It is getting about time that the experts begin selecting their all-this and all-that football teams. Therefore, I consider it but just and proper that the football proclivities of the ancients be considered and some recognition be given to the ambitious aspirants for gridiron honors in the far away land of shades beyond the River Styx. Accordingly I have picked the following for an "All-Hades" football team.

Right End	Dido
Left End	Cleopatra
Right Tackle	Marshal Ney
Left Tackle	Benedict Arnold
Right Guard	Julius Caesar
Left Guard	Leonidas The Spartan
Right Half	Hercules
Left Half	Sampson
Fullback	Alexander The Great
Center	Giant Goliath
Quarterback	Napoleon Bonaparte
Coach	Adam
Waterboy	Noah

Dido and Cleopatra easily landed the end positions because of their being so fast. Leonidas had small trouble slipping into the guard position, his ability to hold in the line being unsurpassed. The tackles were hard to fill, a number of candidates coming in for a share in the honors; among them, Hannibal, Joshua, Gideon and others, but the successful aspirants were Marshal Ney and Benedict Arnold, because of their surprising ability for charging the line and the fierce quality of their tackling. It goes without saying that the Giant Goliath went in at center, as did Hercules and Sampson at the halfback positions. Some consideration was given Jonah for his uncanny ability to always come up, but Hercules and Sampson got the places because they stayed up longer before they went down. Alexander The Great gets the pick at the fullback position because he had easily proved himself to be the greatest ground gainer in all history, and contrary to his usual custom, had remained on training throughout the entire season and consequently had kept himself in good condition.

Napoleon clinched the quarterback position because of his superior field generalship. The only other backfield aspirant who might have come in for consideration was Fabius, the Roman, but a too frequent tendency to relay and loaf on the job excluded him from serious consideration. By common consent Adam was chosen coach because of his early knowledge of the game. The only game played by this team was pulled off on the crest of Mount Olympus against the Gods of Greek and Roman mythology. The score was 0 to 0. The following were the officials: Referee, Judas; Umpire, Ananias; Field Judge, Solomon; Headlinesman, Sparticus; Timekeeper, Methuselah, and of course Noah acted as waterboy for both teams.

A dispute arose among the worthies as to whether the game originated among the Greeks or at an earlier date, but it was settled by the assertions of Jules Verne, Dean Swift, Baron Mun-

chauseen and others, who declared solemnly their conviction that the game had been played in the vales of the Garden of Eden by the monks and chimpanzees before the time of Adam, Jules Verne even going so far as to say that he had heard the fossils discussing such a game when he went on his famous journey beneath the sea.

The gods narrowly escaped being scored upon by the all-Hades squad, when in the fourth quarter, Napoleon missed a field goal from the thirty-five yard line. The ball was turned in its course by the dove of peace, which had just perched itself upon the goal posts of the enemy. The one outstanding feature of the game, however, was a 60-yard run by Dido, in the first quarter. She secured the ball on a fumble on the Hades 5-yard line and was only downed at the last moment in the shadow of the enemy's goal by Daniel Cupid, the plucky little quarterback of the gods, who had been provided with eyes for the occasion by Father Zeus. Alexander's line plunging, Cleopatra's surprising ability to gather in the oval in forward passes, and Giant Goliath's quickness at recovering fumbles were also noticeable features.

Only one serious altercation occurred when, in the second quarter, Benedict Arnold who had displayed from the first a disposition for rough play, was put out of the game by Referee Judas for too serious roughing of Mars, the war god. The Duke of Wellington was called in to take his place and the game proceeded without further interruption.

SMALL, BUT COSTLY

The United States Army is about as small as it has been in recent times. It is so small, in fact, that a good many military men are disturbed about it, fearing that it is not adequate to the demands that may be put upon it. Whether this is true or not, the Army costs a neat sum to operate. It costs about a hundred million dollars more than does the military establishment of England which is larger than that of the United States.

This is not an indication of inefficiency. It rather points toward efficiency. It costs more to run an army in this country than anywhere else. It costs more for each soldier, in salary and upkeep. It costs more because the units are smaller and more scattered. It costs more to maintain an army for the same reason that it costs more to maintain a home. The standard of living is such that it brings expense with it.

Whether the added costs makes better soldiers only a war could demonstrate. There has been enough experience, however, to show that the soldiers of the United States rank with the best in the world. In a time of crisis they rise to the occasion. They are able to do this because at all times they are treated not as servile menials, but as citizens, engaged in the performance of a splendid civic duty. It pays to pay a little more for an army, or for anything else that is worth having.—Miami Herald.

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A WARTIME REMINISCENCE

By Arthur C. Hinton

"The enemy are massing on your front AAA. Act accordingly." Two and a half years of active service, from the landing at Gallipoli to Passendaele in France, had taught me to respect such an order.

Therefore, with mingled feelings of regret and disgust—regret that I should be in a position to receive such an order, and disgust that it should come on the eve of being relieved by another Australian Brigade—I passed the order on to my subordinates. They received it with strong and vehement language.

Scabies, filth, mud, and casualties had sunk deep into my soul. These evils of war had hardened and calloused my sensibilities. I no longer cared for anything connected with war. I no longer felt for the cries of the wounded, for the groans of the mutilated and mangled; only a deep and fervent hope that there would be no attack. I had even ceased to hate the enemy.

As I contemplated the situation in my company headquarters I had doubts about my sanity. The patter of the rain, the drip of the mud from my soiled and tattered uniform, the uncomfortable heaviness of my "tin" hat—all aggravated by innumerable itchings about the person—made me feel unwholesome in mind and body.

I passed on to the preparations for my defense. The rain beat down incessantly on the stricken field as dense masses of clouds passed over the shell pitted front. The long, drawn-out shriek of the high velocity shell, the louder staccato of the 77 millimetre, filled my war crazed soul with a fresh spasm of torment, as each projectile dropped with a loud "phut" on my scantily defended line. Hour after hour passed by as I paced up and down the trench waiting for the dawn's attack. The shelling ceased, filling me with new fears as Very lights pierced the inky blackness of No Man's Land, and the deep and sombre solitude of the battle scarred front posts, where men lived in a torment of conflicting passions, reflected upon my imagination. I pictured the agony of a dawn attack; the tightly drawn grimaces of men fighting; not so eager to fight for killing's sake, as eager to kill for their own lives' sake.

I was in a fever of expectancy. Gradually the inky darkness of night faded into the gray, uncheerfulness of a November morning; cold, bleak and wet. With burning eyes I tried to pierce the distance between my own outposts and those of the enemy—would they never attack? I felt that I could not endure the suspense a moment longer. The perspiration streamed down my face and body. Every drawn breath was agony; every heart beat a torment; and every thought a nightmare.

Long before the S. O. S. rockets flared up from my outposts, I felt the hideousness and knew the shame of a stark naked fear. I have no recollections of the attack. My orders appeared to me to be given in a high, shrill voice—I urged, prayed and cursed everyone who came near me. I do not remember drawing my "45," or of firing it, yet it was in my hand—empty. The whole attack



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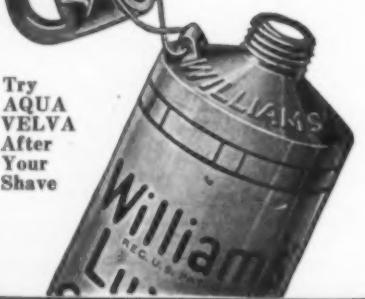


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and counter attack was a confused mixture of explosions, of gigantic figures of men laboring under some awful excitement, fighting, killing and yelling in agony or triumph. When it was really light, I looked around to find to my amazement that I was alone, in possession of the enemy trench with dead and dying at my feet.

How I came to be there I have no recollection, so I waited till an Australian officer appeared with some men, saying that I was to report immediately to G. H. Q. As I walked back to Division Headquarters I was sure that I was going to be court martialed for cowardice, for "conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline"; but when the General met me and shook me warmly by the hand, calling me a brave man who had captured a trench single handed and killed ten of the enemy, for which I was getting the Cross, I shook my head and wondered why, for I knew nothing about it.

OBSERVATION SQUADRON TWO

By A. and S.

Well, here's Observation Squadron Number Two! We're here to stay this time. Look for us every month.

We have here in our midst an embryo lawyer, and we want to be put on record as saying he puts out a wicked line. The other night he was slightly under the weather—funny what the weather (?) in Haiti does to a fellow—and he gave us a "speed." He talked for an hour or more, and the gist of it all was, "Nay, brother, nay." Introducing Mr. Wilson!

There was a bunch made last week. "Scotty," our boy crew chief; Lewis, the redoubtable rigger; Sam Williams, the demon electrician; and, Yenowine, our incomparable armorer. There were some P. F. C.'s, otherwise known as lance corporals, scattered among Davidovic, the battling police sergeant; Lilly, our Miss Lilly of motor shop fame; Dykes, the Ford pilot; and Masters, our galloping stenog.

Observation Squadron Two will be represented in the tennis tournament next week by Cullum, Schaeffer, Mannan, and possibly Arnhem. You'll know the winners in the next.

Asher let a gas tank drop on Hollis's finger yesterday. No, it wasn't full—but Hollis says it hurt. "Stam funnee ting." We didn't feel it, although the air was blue for awhile.

Since Dan was closed up the boys haven't many places to go. There are rumors of another cafe opening up soon. We hope so.

There must be some attraction in Port au Prince, if one is judged by the number of extensions. "Chic" Gunnels, Culum, Willingham, Yenowine, Mannan, "Spud" Campbell, Straba, Williams and Adams are among those who hate to leave the sunny isle—and other things.

"Al" Naugle is spending this month in ease—we mean the mess hall. He is enjoying his vacation with Neus, as chief messman, and with Wallace and Short.

By the way, Wallace has just finished a miniature "Jenny," after whittlin' for two months, and expects to fly to Baltimore in it. No wonder though, he fell in love and passed out in said city.

The field section is certainly bucking now. The crew of the ship who gets the blue ribbon at inspection each Saturday

gets instructions in the "Jenny"—not Wallace's—the following week. They are all shining turn buckles, gas lines, air leads, etc. Even the tail scags get their share of polish. This week Dugald Steele and Wop are the lucky ones. Salty's toes still turn up.

We wish ye one and all fair adieu. We'll be here again next month—don't forget.

THE U. S. S. TULSA NEWS

The "U. S. S. Tulsa" of the Special Service Squadron, which is detailed for duty to Central and South American waters on both the east and west coast, has had a rather cosmopolitan itinerary since leaving Boston, May 28, 1926. The first stop was made at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where the entire ship's company was organized into landing force and shot the Navy Sharpshooter's Course. Lieutenant E. A. Robbins, U. S. M. C., commanding marines, acted in the capacity of range officer and supervised the range for the entire two weeks. The marines, on finishing the course, coached the rest of the crew. The highest scores were made by Corporal T. Dunbar, who fired 279, and by First Sergeant Cummings, who fired 276 out of a possible 300. From here liberty parties visited Caminera and Buckareaux.

At noon June 16, the landing force was recalled, equipment and supplies were hurried aboard, and the ship was under way at six o'clock that night for Bluefields, Nicaragua, which is at the mouth of the Rio Escondido in the El Bluff region.

At this port the "Tulsa" relieved the "U. S. S. Cleveland." After standing by for six weeks, the "Tulsa" was relieved by the "U. S. S. Galveston" and proceeded to Colon, C. Z. The ship arrived at Cristobal on August 1, and traversed the Panama Canal on the same day, passing through the Gatun locks, the Pedro Miguel locks and the Pacific locks into the Balboa Basin, where it remained for a week. Liberties were made to Balboa, Panama City, and Ancon.

On Monday, August 8, the ship sailed out through Panama Bay into the Pacific, and, in the vicinity of Toboga Island, the men were drilled in the preliminaries for short range battle practice for two weeks.

Returning to Balboa August 24, supplies were hurriedly taken aboard, and that night the "Tulsa" sailed for Corinto, Nicaragua, about 750 miles north of Balboa on the west coast. The marine guard prepared a landing party, but on arrival at Corinto the trouble had subsided. After standing by for several days in the Bay de Corinto, an emergency call was received to proceed at once to Cosequenia, about 90 miles north, in the Gulf of Fonseca, where the Federals and the Rebels, the two divided parties of the Nicaraguan Government, had engaged in the bloodiest battle staged during the present revolution. This battle resulted in 100 killed, 60 Federals and 40 Rebels, and 200 wounded. These men were without the aid of any medical attention whatsoever. The "Tulsa" brought this aid, and the time being limited, the marines turned to in the Sick Bay and cut and rolled bandages. On arrival at Cosequenia, first aid was administered to the wounded.

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SHORT STORIES

By Edwin North McClellan

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"The captain read the letter, told the Kanaka there was no answer, and, giving him a drink of brandy, left him to jump overboard and find the best of his way ashore."

"The Kanaka swam in for the nearest point of land, and in about an hour made his appearance at the hide-house. He did not seem at all fatigued, had made three or four dollars, got a glass of brandy, and was in high spirits."

ASSIST IN FIRST SETTLEMENT ON THE NORTHWEST COAST

Sandwich Islanders were among those early pioneers who attempted to establish the first American settlement on the Northwest Coast of America.

In the office of Abiel Winship in Boston early in 1809, was projected the first attempt to establish a settlement on the Columbia River. Among the partners in this scheme were Abiel Winship, Nathan Winship, Benjamin P. Homer and Jonathan Winship, who commanded the trading vessel "O'Cain" in the Pacific.

The Weather-beaten but still staunch ship "Albatross" was chosen for the expedition. Nathan Winship was selected as her captain and William Smith as chief mate. Everything necessary for building, planting, and trading, was included in the outfit. The chief mission was to form a permanent settlement.

The Albatross, manned with a crew of twenty-two men, sailed in July, 1809. Her first anchorage was at the Easter Islands. After several other stoppages for supplies the Albatross anchored in Hawaiian waters. Here Nathan Winship found a letter from his brother, Jonathan of the O'Cain, advising him "to hasten to the Columbia to cut off the Russians, who seemed to have a covetous eye upon those parts."

Laying in a supply of necessities, including some "hogs and goats," the Albatross departed from the Islands on April 13, 1810. Her crew was more than doubled with the addition of twenty-five Hawaiians. Arriving at the Columbia River on May 26, 1810, the Albatross sailed past the Chinook Village and anchored about three miles above it.

A site was selected for the settlement on the south bank of the Columbia River about forty miles from the sea. The Albatross anchored there on June 4, 1810. On that day "all the Sandwich Islanders" were "on shore felling and hewing trees for timber for the house." On the following day the Hawaiians assisted at the "first breaking of the soil by a white man in Oregon."

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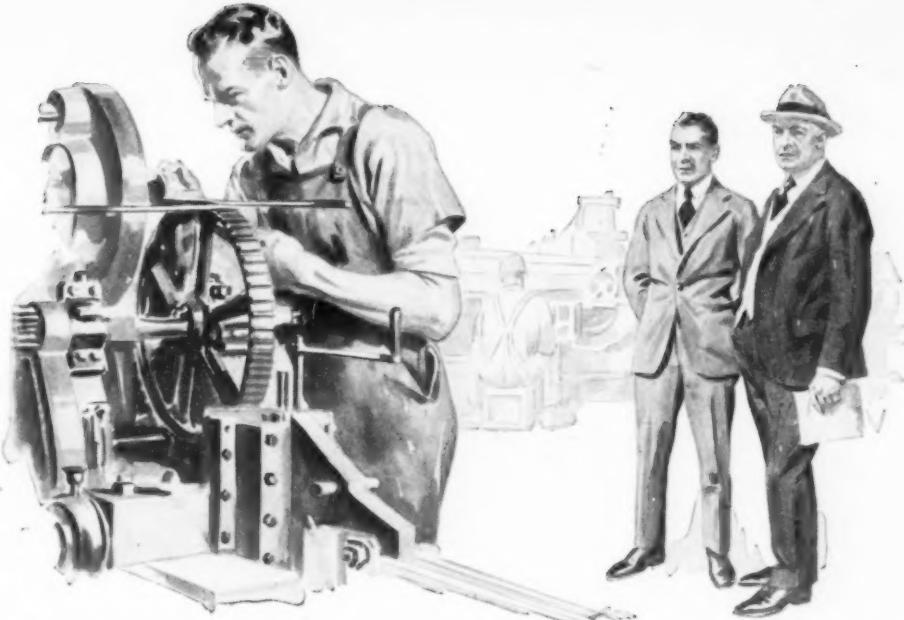


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